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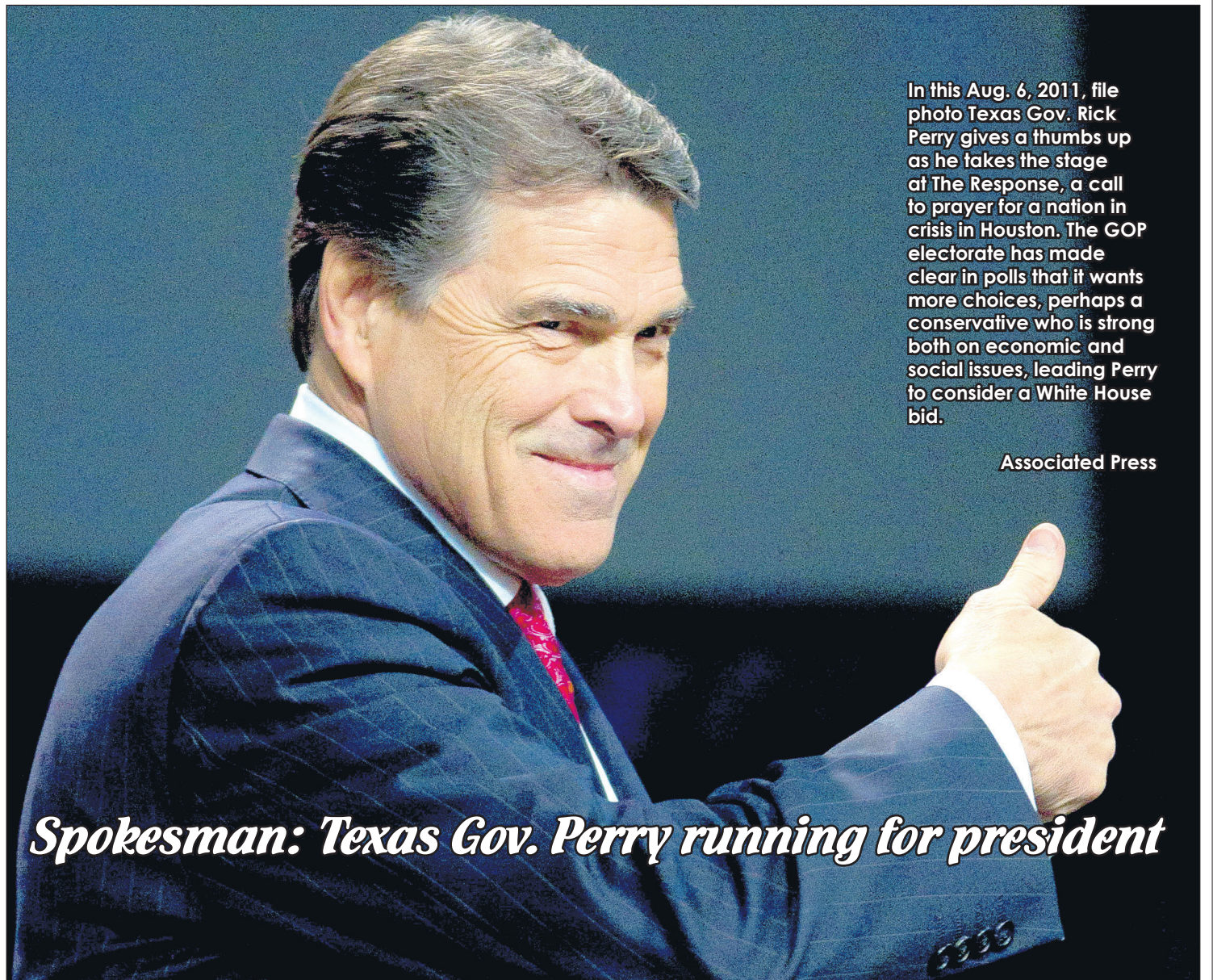
## Aruba asks FBI for help



**ORANJESTAD** - Gary Giordano had a history of sending aggressive, angry texts to missing Maryland woman Robyn Gardner, according to her best friend and roommate. Christina Jones said Giordano, who is being held in an Aruba jail in connection with Gardner's disappearance, had previously asked Gardner to go on a cruise with him. When Gardner went away with Jones to New York instead, he flipped, Jones told ABC News. "He was texting her while we were at breakfast, very angry at her because she decided she wasn't going to go on the cruise," Jones said. "And his responses by text, which I don't feel comfortable repeating, were aggressive, harmful, something that doesn't sit right within myself." Gardner, 35, disappeared last week while on vacation with Giordano, whom she met on an on-line dating site over a year ago, according to Jones.

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## SEE RICK RUN



In this Aug. 6, 2011, file photo Texas Gov. Rick Perry gives a thumbs up as he takes the stage at The Response, a call to prayer for a nation in crisis in Houston. The GOP electorate has made clear in polls that it wants more choices, perhaps a conservative who is strong both on economic and social issues, leading Perry to consider a White House bid.

Associated Press

### Spokesman: Texas Gov. Perry running for president

**APRIL CASTRO**

**Associated Press**

**AUSTIN, Texas (AP)** — Texas Gov. Rick Perry is running for president, a spokesman confirmed Thursday, a move certain to shake up the race for the GOP nomination much to the delight of conservatives looking for a candidate to embrace. Perry spokesman Mark Miner said the governor would make his intentions known on Saturday while visiting South Carolina and New

Hampshire just as most of his presidential rivals compete in a test vote in Iowa. Official word of Perry's entrance into the race came just hours before eight candidates, including GOP front-runner Mitt Romney, were to appear on stage during a nationally televised debate. It wasn't much of a surprise. The longest-serving governor in Texas history has flirted with a presidential run since spring and has spent

the past few months courting Republicans in early voting states and laying the groundwork for a campaign. He met privately with potential donors from California to New York and gave rousing speeches to party faithful, casting himself as a fiscally responsible social conservative. His intentions became even clearer over the past few days when officials disclosed that he would visit an important trio of states,

a campaign-like schedule timed to overshadow the debate and the Iowa straw poll and, perhaps, wreak havoc on a field led by Romney. Perry's nascent presidential campaign is not expected to rest after this weekend's launch. Rep. Frank Guinta, R-N.H., confirmed that he's scheduled to meet privately with Perry next Wednesday.

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## Rick Perry

He also confirmed a separate meeting with the first-in-the-nation primary state's only Republican senator, Kelly Ayotte. Unlike others in the race, Perry has credibility with the at-times warring camps of the GOP's primary electorate. The pro-business tax-cutter who has presided over Texas' recent economic growth also is a devout social conservative with deep ties to some of the nation's evangelical leaders and Christians who dominate the pivotal Iowa caucuses. But Perry also has never run a national campaign before, and it's unclear whether his Texas swagger and sometimes unorthodox policy positions will sit well with GOP primary voters outside his state. Another open question is whether he can raise the money necessary to mount a strong campaign against those who have been in the race for months or more. He may face fierce opposition from secular groups and progressives who argue that his religious rhetoric violates the separation of church and state and that his belief that some groups, such as the Boy Scouts of America, should be allowed to discriminate against gays is bigoted. Within the Republican Party, Perry has enemies among moderates who question his understanding of national and international policy, including Sen. □

## Suspect Gary Giordano sent angry texts to Robyn Gardner before disappearance



**Gary V. Giordano, left, speaks with Aruba's police detectives as they search for her travel partner Robyn Gardner, 35, of Frederick, Maryland, at Baby Beach in the southern tip of the Caribbean island. Giordano, who claimed Gardner apparently drowned while snorkeling during a getaway to Aruba, has now become a suspect in her disappearance because his response to the incident raised suspicions of police. Earlier, the prosecutor's office said it decided to detain Giordano on Friday, as he tried to leave Aruba.**

Giordano told police the two were snorkeling together, but Gardner never returned to shore. He was arrested when police decided his story didn't add up, according to Aruba authorities. Jones said that her friend was aware that Giordano, 50, had a history of domestic abuse allegations, and that they had a "rollercoaster friendship." When Gardner told Jones she was going to Aruba with the volatile Giordano, Jones questioned her friend.

"When she came to me

and said, 'Hey, I'm going to Aruba,' I said, 'Cool, I'm so happy, get out of town, why wouldn't you?'" Jones said.

"And then she said she was going with Gary, it became a 'why? Why? Are you sure?'"

Gardner, who Jones described as trusting and sweet, reassured her friend that the trip would be fine. Gardner had recently lost her job as a dental assistant, and was having relationship issues with her boyfriend of two-and-a-half years, Richard Forest-

er, Jones said. "She made me feel better, that it was going to be okay and she was just going to clear her head," Jones said.

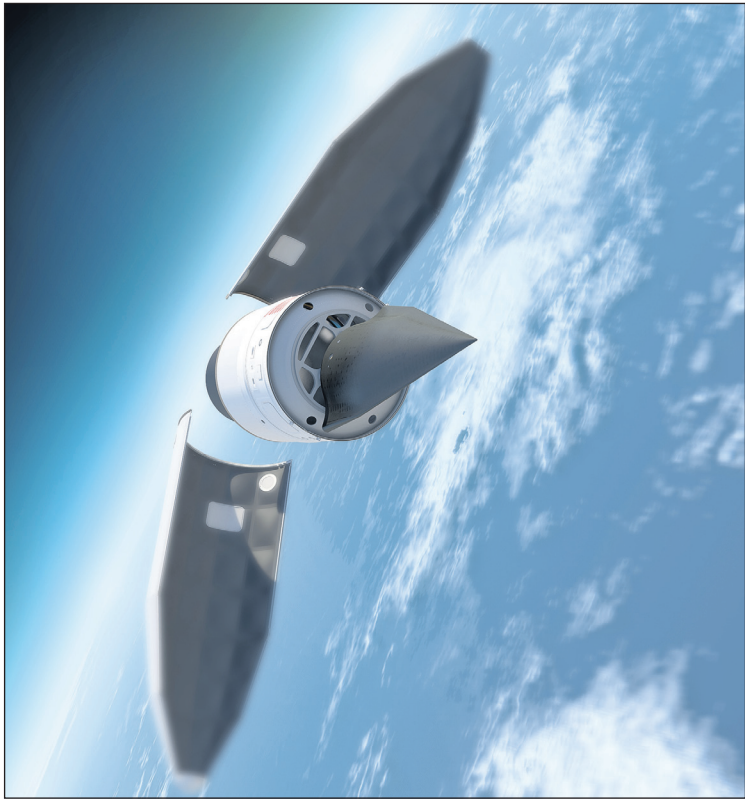
"She was just so light-hearted about it and kind of needed to get away." Jones said that Gardner and Giordano had an on-again, off-again relationship for over a year in which they would go out for drinks and be friendly for awhile, and then not talk for a few months. "Some months she wouldn't even see him and then other months he'd weasel his way back in

there, and you know, she's going to go grab a drink," Jones said. "Sometimes Robyn was very focused on having a solid relationship with Richard when things were good, and then you wouldn't hear about Gary."

Gardner, who has a tattoo on shoulder, and Jones bonded because they stuck out in their small town because they both have tattoos, Jones said. Nevertheless, Gardner was the type that was hoping for a knight in shining armor, Jones said. □



# Contact lost with hypersonic glider after launch



In this undated artist's rendition released by the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) showing the Falcon Hypersonic Technology Vehicle 2 (HTV-2) separating from the rocket. The Falcon HTV-2 is an unmanned, rocket-launched, maneuverable aircraft that glides through the Earth's atmosphere at incredibly fast speeds, Mach 20 (approximately 13,000 miles per hour).

Associated Press

**JOHN ANTCHAK**  
Associated Press

**LOS ANGELES (AP)** — An unmanned hypersonic glider developed for U.S. defense research into super-fast global strike capability was launched atop a rocket early Thursday but contact was lost after the experimental craft began flying on its own, the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency said.

The problem occurred during the critical point of transition to aerodynamic flight, DARPA said in a statement that described the mission as an attempt to fly the fastest aircraft ever built.

"More than nine minutes of data was collected before an anomaly caused loss of signal," it said. "Initial indications are that the aircraft impacted the Pacific Ocean along the planned flight path." The 7:45 a.m. launch from Vandenberg Air Force Base, 130 miles (200 kilometers) northwest of Los Angeles, was the second of two planned flights of a Falcon Hypersonic Technology Vehicle-2. Contact was also lost during the first mission. Shaped like the tip of a

spear, the small craft is part of a U.S. military initiative to develop technology to respond to threats at 20 times the speed of sound or greater, reaching any part of the globe in an hour.

The HTV-2 is designed to be launched to the edge of space, separate from its booster and maneuver through the atmosphere at 13,000 mph (21,000 kph) before intentionally crashing into the ocean.

Defense analyst John Pike of Globalsecurity.org wasn't surprised with the latest failure because the hypersonic test flight program is still in its infancy.

"At this early stage of the game, if they did not experience failures, it's because they're not trying very hard," he said.

Pike said it's possible for engineers to still glean useful information about what worked and what didn't, despite the flight ending prematurely. The key is to analyze what happened in the final five seconds before contact was lost.

DARPA used Twitter to announce the launch and status of the flight. The agency said the

launch of the Minotaur 4 rocket was successful and separation was confirmed via a camera. Communication was then lost.

DARPA's statement quoted Air Force Maj. Chris Schulz, the HTV-2 program manager, on the challenge of flight in "virtually uncharted territory." "We know how to boost the aircraft to near space," he said. "We know how to insert the aircraft into atmospheric hypersonic flight. We do not yet know how to achieve the desired control during the aerodynamic phase of flight. It's vexing; I'm confident there is a solution. We have to find it." A team of experts will examine information gathered by more than 20 air, land, sea and

space data collection systems, DARPA said. The HTV-2 is intended to put theory, simulations and wind tunnel experience to the test in real flight conditions at speeds producing temperatures in the thousands of degrees and requiring extremely fast control systems, according to DARPA. The first HTV-2 was launched on April 22, 2010. It returned nine minutes of data, including 139 seconds of aerodynamic data at speeds between 17 and 22 times the speed of sound, DARPA said.

That craft detected an anomaly, aborted its flight and plunged into the ocean, the agency said.

The military and NASA have also been working on powered aircraft capable of

flying at speeds greater than five times the speed of sound, or Mach 5.

In 2004, NASA's unmanned X-43A reached Mach 9.6 on a flight off California. Powered for 10 seconds by a supersonic combustion ramjet, or scramjet, that set a speed record for jet-powered flight. The X-43A also set the previous record of Mach 6.8 earlier that year. The unmanned X-51A Waverider, a demonstrator, developed by the Air Force, DARPA, Pratt & Whitney Rocketdyne and Boeing, has been tested twice. Powered by a scramjet, the first X-51A reached about Mach 5 for 140 seconds after being dropped from the wing of a B-52 in May 2010, according to Boeing. □

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## EPA bans sale of herbicide linked to tree deaths

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The federal Environmental Protection Agency on Thursday banned the sale of Imprelis, a weed killer introduced this year that landscapers link to thousands of tree deaths around the country.

DuPont, which held discussions with the EPA on the herbicide, suspended sales of the product last week and announced plans for a return-and-refund program. The company already faces lawsuits from property owners who lost numerous conifers after landscapers began applying Imprelis to lawns and golf courses this spring.

A spokesman for the EPA, Larry Jackson, said the agency acted because data provided by DuPont showed that at least three types of evergreens – balsam fir, Norway spruce and white pine – are susceptible to damage or death from Imprelis.

In a statement, the agency said it was investigating whether the widespread tree deaths resulted from misuse of the weed killer, inadequate warnings or directions on the product's label, its persistence in soil and plant material or other factors.

Kate Childress, a spokeswoman for DuPont, said that the test data mentioned by the EPA spokesman indicated vulnerability only when the three tree species were exposed to "extreme conditions," however. "We did them to understand the tolerance and sensitivity of these species under extreme conditions," she said. Those tests were conducted before the product was approved by the EPA last fall, she added.

Whether the product will return to the market after the agency's review is unclear.

Only turf and landscaping professionals are allowed to purchase or apply Imprelis. While it has been highly effective at killing clover and broad-leafed weeds like dandelions, they say, nearby evergreens in many cases began dying within weeks of the first applications. Some agricultural experts have suggested that the tree toll could reach into the hundreds of thousands.

Landscapers had initially welcomed the herbicide, which was marketed as an environmentally friendly product that did not, for example, pose risks to animals. □

## Colo. fugitive sister: 'I deserved to get shot'

PUEBLO, Colo. (AP) — A woman caught with her two brothers after a nationwide manhunt told Colorado authorities she "deserved to get shot" after pointing a gun at a police chief at the end of the siblings' run from the law, according to a court document.

Lee Grace Dougherty, 29, Dylan Dougherty Stanley, 26, and Ryan Edward Dougherty, 21, are being held in Pueblo County, Colo., on bonds of \$1.25 million each. The three made their first court appearance Thursday by video from jail, and none made any statement during the brief hearing.

They face charges of attempted murder of a peace officer and assault on a peace officer. The charges stem from allegations that they shot rounds from an AK-47 at four patrol cars during a chase Wednesday on Interstate 25 in Colorado. The chase ended when troopers deployed spike strips to puncture the tires of the trio's Subaru, and the vehicle rolled and crashed into a guardrail.

According to an arrest affidavit, Lee Dougherty ran from the crash and was shot in the leg by Walsenburg Police Chief

spoke briefly Thursday to The Associated Press but declined to discuss their ordeal, saying she didn't think it would help them in



Lee Grace Dougherty, 29, in wheel chair, is brought to an advisement hearing at the Pueblo County Sheriff's Office detention center in Pueblo, Colo. on Thursday.

James Chamblerrlain after she pointed a "machine pistol" at him. The document says she later told police, "I deserved to get shot."

Investigators said that when they asked her about gunfire during the chase, Lee Dougherty said she thought authorities were firing at them. Authorities said they didn't fire at the fugitives' car and believe she might have mistaken the sound of the spike strips for gunshots.

"We weren't trying to hurt anyone; we just wanted them to get back. They were way back and we could barely see them," she said, according to the affidavit. Separate affidavits for the three don't include statements from the brothers.

The trio's mother, Barbara Bell of East Palatka, Fla.,

the long run.

"Thank God they're not tried by the media," she said. "They're tried in a court of law and their story will come out at that time." Bell hung up the phone shortly after a reporter called, saying she needed to keep the line open for concerned family members to reach her.

"I'm devastated and I'm trying to be strong for other family members," Bell said. "Throughout all of this, I think everybody just wanted it to stop. And now it's over."

The public defender appointed to represent the siblings, William Martinez, didn't immediately return a phone message.

The siblings also have no-bond warrants in Georgia and Florida on charges they robbed a bank in Georgia and shot at a police officer in Florida on Aug. 2. □

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Obama:

# Something is wrong with country's politics

**NEW YORK (AP)** — Aligning himself with a public fed up with economic uncertainty and Washington gridlock, President Barack Obama declared Thursday: "There is nothing wrong with our country. There is something wrong with our politics." His toughly worded message — he said there was frustration in his voice, in case anyone missed the point — came amid a series of polls showing that people are disgusted with political dysfunction and are dispensing blame all around, including on Obama. Obama aired his frustration with the ways of Washington at an event in Michigan before pivoting to his re-election campaign and a pair of big-money fundraisers in New York City. He delivered a condensed version of that message at a fundraiser at the lower Manhattan home of movie producer Harvey Weinstein, where celebrities Gwyneth Paltrow and Jimmy Fallon, were among the approximately 50 guests who paid \$35,800 each to attend. Obama said he told his Michigan audience that



President Barack Obama signs a copy of his book for one of the well wishers who came to greet him as he arrives at John F. Kennedy International Airport in New York, Thursday, Aug. 11, 2011, on his way to fundraisers in Manhattan.

(AP Photo/David Karp)

it deserves better than what it's been getting from Washington.

"They look at what's happening in Washington and they think these folks are really from outer space because they don't seem to understand how critical it is for us all to work together, Republicans, Democrats, independents, in order to move this country forward," Obama said.

He added that the country is realizing the need to get

involved. "We're going to have to get engaged and we're going to have to speak out," Obama said. "We're going to have to register the fact that we expect more and we expect better." Obama's visit Thursday to Holland, Mich., and New York, was his first official trip outside Washington after spending more than a month in the nation's capital dealing with the debt debate. Obama said Americans were right

to be worried about the country's 9.1 percent unemployment rate and fluctuations in the stock market. The contentious and partisan debt debate in Washington, he said, has done little to help.

"Unfortunately what we've seen in Washington in the last few months has been the worst kind of partisanship, the worst kind of gridlock, and that gridlock has undermined public confidence and impeded our efforts to take the steps we need for our economy," Obama said after touring a Michigan factory that makes advanced batteries for alternative-fuel vehicles.

A Washington Post poll re-

leased this week showed widespread and deep discontent with Washington. Nearly 80 percent said they were dissatisfied with the way the country's political system works, compared with 60 percent in November 2009. Seventy-one percent said the federal government is mostly focused on the wrong things, up from 55 percent in October 2010.

Both Obama and congressional Republicans were targets of unhappiness, with only 19 percent of people polled saying that Obama had made progress in solving the country's major problems, and just 10 percent saying that about Republicans. □

In Alabama

## No verdict of guilty in graft case

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**MONTGOMERY, Ala.**

— A sprawling federal investigation begun nearly two years ago into corruption at the highest levels of state politics concluded Thursday with acquittals or mistrials, ending, at least temporarily, a case that could have put sitting politicians and powerful campaign donors behind bars. Of the nine defendants — including four current or former lawmakers, two high-profile lobbyists and one of the most powerful businessmen in the state — a federal jury found two not guilty on all counts and acquitted the rest on some counts, while a mistrial was declared on others.

No one was convicted on any charge. Jurors had deliberated for a week. The case, which involved allegations of a scheme in which casino operators and lobbyists bribed state lawmakers for favorable votes on a gambling bill, was unquestionably a complicated one. But while the judge has already said he will schedule a new trial within the month and

new indictments are even expected, the result was a serious blow to federal prosecutors, who had charged defendants on 39 counts including bribery and extortion. "They scored zero today," said Susan James, the attorney for Jay Walker, a former spokesman for an Alabama casino complex who was acquitted on all but two charges. □

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## In New York

## Thousands and thousands of pounds of fake lobster goes unnoticed

JAMES BARRON

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**NEW YORK** – Only the name has changed. The ingredients remain the same: wild freshwater crawfish, mayonnaise, celery, salt and sugar.

For at least 15 years, Zabar's, the Upper West Side grocery with the big crowds and even bigger prices, sold that as lobster salad – thousands and thousands of pounds of it, by itself in a plastic tub or on a bagel or a roll. Apparently no one noticed.

Then Doug MacCash, a reporter from The Times-Picayune of New Orleans, stopped at Zabar's while vacationing in Manhattan last month.

"Lobster salad on a bagel: Why not?" he wrote on Aug. 1 on the newspaper's website. "It was delicious, but the pink/orange tails seemed somehow familiar."

He checked the label.

"Wild fresh water crayfish?" he wrote. "Really? At \$16.95 per pound?" He



The exterior of a Zabar's grocery store, which carries Seafare Salad that was once called lobster salad, in New York, June 23, 2011. After a reporter from the Times-Picayune of New Orleans stopped at Zabar's while vacationing in New York and later posted an article questioning the salad consisting only of crawfish, the name of the salad was changed.

(Marilynn K. Yee/The New York Times)

photographed the label, just to be sure.

MacCash had discovered a fact of New York culinary life that New Yorkers had not: There was no lobster in the lobster salad at Zabar's. It took a while for the news to reach New York, but lobster lovers elsewhere were tucking in their bibs

and sounding like curmudgeons. On Tuesday, eight days after MacCash's item appeared, The Bangor Daily News in Maine – where in 2010 fishermen caught a record 93.4 million pounds of lobsters worth more than \$308 million – published an editorial headlined "No Fake Lobsters Allowed."

By Wednesday, bloggers so close to Zabar's that they could smell the Jamaican Blue Mountain Style coffee were on the case. "Zabar's Committing Lobster Salad Fraud?" West Side Rag, which focuses on the Upper West Side, asked. But if others were troubled by what seemed like a

case of misrepresentation, Saul Zabar, the 83-year-old president and co-owner of Zabar's, was not.

Selling lobsterless lobster salad, he insisted, was not dishonest.

"If you go to Wikipedia," he said, "you will find that crawfish in many parts of the country is referred to as lobster."

He read aloud the beginning of the Wikipedia entry for crawfish: "Crayfish, crawfish, or crawdads – members of the superfamilies Astacoidea and Parastacoidea – are freshwater crustaceans resembling small lobsters, to which they are related."

By that definition, he said, he could call a product in which the main ingredient – actually, the only seafood ingredient – was crawfish, "lobster salad."

"But it seems that the general consensus is when you refer to lobster, you think of the Maine lobster, which is homerus Americanus," he said. □

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# Israel prepares for Palestinian statehood rallies



**FILE** - In this May 15, 2011 file photo Arab demonstrators marking the anniversary of the mass displacement of Palestinians surrounding Israel's establishment in 1948 hold Palestinian flags as they approach the village of Majdal Shams in the Golan Heights, between Syria and Israel. Israeli police confirmed Thursday Aug. 11, 2011 media reports that Israel's police and army are importing horses, water cannons, tear gas launchers and a noise machine to prevent fatalities while dealing with mass Palestinian protests expected during a bid for U.N. endorsement of statehood in September 2011.

(AP Photo/Yaron Kaminsky)

By **DANIELLA CHESLOW**

**Associated Press**

**Israel prepares for Palestinian statehood rallies**

**JERUSALEM (AP)** — Israeli police and army are importing horses, water cannons, tear gas launchers and a nauseating noise machine to avoid casualties among Palestinians if they go ahead with plans to protest in the West Bank during a bid for U.N. endorsement of Palestinian statehood next month, officials said Thursday.

The feverish preparations reflect painful lessons from Israel's botched and bloody confrontation with thousands of Palestinians storming across the Syrian border in May, when ill-equipped Israeli soldiers shot more than a dozen protesters dead.

Israel absorbed stiff international criticism for the bloodshed, and officials admitted later that the military was caught unprepared and did not have proper crowd control means.

Palestinians are planning mass demonstrations across the West Bank and abroad to coincide with the September U.N. General Assembly session, which the Palestinians hope will give official endorsement for their state. The statehood initiative reflects frustration with long stalled Israeli-Palestinian peace negotiations.

Palestinian authorities have their own plans to keep the protests peaceful and avoid confrontations with Israelis, but local history has shown that events can quickly spiral out of control. Israel fears that a single incident — a Palestinian killing an Israeli with a firebomb or gunshot, or an Israeli soldier killing a Palestinian during a riot — could trigger a flood of violence.

Israel is doing all it can to prevent fatalities from its side, according to Israeli officials who spoke on condition of anonymity because of the sensitivity of the issue. According to an internal police newsletter obtained by The Associated Press, police have doubled the size of their riot control forces to more than 2,000.

"The police hope to avoid casualties in the event of (U.N. endorsement of) Palestinian independence," wrote the author of the newsletter, Nissim Mor, commander of the police operations branch.

Police spokesman Micky Rosenfeld said preparations have been under way for several weeks, stressing non-lethal methods the police are used to employing. "The Israeli police are prepared to deal with ... widespread demonstrations and marches throughout the country," he said.

A section of southern Israel has been turned into

a "September training camp," the officials said.

The venue offers facilities and training for soldiers in handling violent scenarios without causing fatalities that would unleash a barrage of criticism against

Israel and supply the Palestinians with another rallying cry. The officials also told the AP that Israeli security is working with top Palestinian commanders to coordinate activities aimed at avoiding casualties. Palestinian of-

ficials would not comment on that.

The police newsletter called the preparations "Seeds of Summer," spelling out the equipment police are planning to use if confronted with rioting Palestinians. □



Israeli soldiers detain activists during a protest against the construction of Israel's separation barrier in the West Bank village of Walajeh, outside Jerusalem, Wednesday, Aug. 10, 2011. Israel says the barrier is necessary for security while Palestinians call it a land grab.

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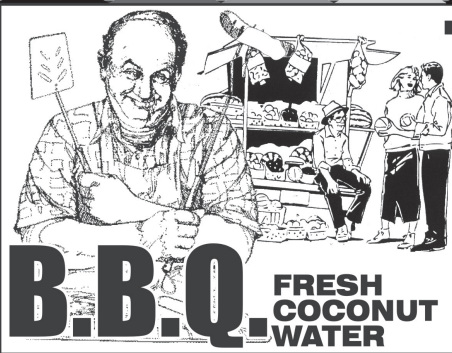
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**Afghan witnesses:**

# Chinook ablaze when it crashed

By **DEB RIECHMANN**

**Associated Press**

**KABUL, Afghanistan (AP)** —

Afghan children retrieved souvenir-sized pieces of a helicopter shot down by the Taliban in eastern Afghanistan where witnesses on Thursday described seeing the chopper burst into flames and break apart before falling from the sky, killing 30 U.S. troops and eight Afghans.

Coalition forces finished recovering the victims' remains and big sections of the wreckage. Yet small, twisted pieces of the Chinook CH-47 remain scattered on both sides of a slow-flowing river in Wardak

province where it crashed before dawn Saturday.

Farhad, a local resident, told Associated Press Television News that the helicopter was shot down by a rocket-propelled grenade fired from a nearby knoll as it was preparing to land.

"As soon as it was hit, it started burning," he said, standing in a field still littered with small pieces of the chopper, including a part of a scorched rifle stamped "Made in Germany" and a piece of charred paper with typewritten first aid instructions.

"After it started burning, it crashed. It came down in three pieces," he added.

"We could see it burning from our homes."

Many of the victims' bodies were badly mangled and burned, said Farhad, who like many Afghans uses only one name.

The crash about 60 miles (97 kilometers) southwest of Kabul was the deadliest single loss for U.S. forces in the nearly 10-year Afghan war.

The crash comes amid fears that the country is far from stable even though U.S. and NATO forces have begun to leave Afghanistan. U.S. military officials have tried to counter those fears, saying that while the downing of the Chinook was a tragic setback, one crash will not determine the course of the war.

The victims included 17 members of the elite Navy SEALs, five Naval Special Warfare personnel who support the SEALs, three Air Force Special Operations personnel, an Army helicopter crew of five, seven Afghan commandos and an Afghan interpreter.

Gul Agha, another resident of Tangi Valley, also said that after the helicopter crashed, parts were burning on either side of the Tangi River. Some of the debris also ended up on a nearby hillside, he said.

"When the helicopter came at night, the Taliban were hiding in the bushes around the area," he said. He said coalition forces worked several days to remove victims' remains. Then they blew up sections of the helicopter into smaller pieces, loaded them on trucks and took them from the site, he said.

Marine Corps Gen. John Allen, the top commander of U.S. and NATO forces in



**Wreckage of a Chinook helicopter shot down last week is seen at the site of crash at Tangi Valley in Wardak province some 60 miles (97 kilometers) southwest of Kabul, Afghanistan, Thursday, Aug. 11, 2011. The Chinook helicopter that insurgents shot down over the weekend burst into flames before hitting the ground, leaving wreckage scattered on both sides of a river in eastern Afghanistan and killing 30 Americans and eight Afghans, witnesses told The Associated Press on Thursday.**

(AP Photo/ Mohammad Nasir)



**Afghan children are seen near the Wreckage of Chinook helicopter shot down last week at Tangi Valley in Wardak province some 60 miles (97 kilometers) southwest of Kabul, Afghanistan, Thursday, Aug. 11, 2011. The Chinook helicopter that insurgents shot down over the weekend burst into flames before hitting the ground, leaving wreckage scattered on both sides of a river in eastern Afghanistan and killing 30 Americans and eight Afghans, witnesses told The Associated Press on Thursday.**

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Afghanistan, said Wednesday that F-16 fighter jets killed the insurgents responsible for the crash. But the military provided few details to back up the claim. The U.S.-led coalition has

also said the helicopter was apparently shot down by a rocket-propelled grenade. But Allen said the military will investigate whether other causes contributed to the crash. □

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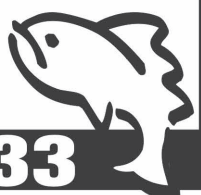
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## In Cameron:

## UK will seek anti-gang ideas from US

By DANICA KIRKA

Associated Press

**LONDON (AP)** — Prime Minister David Cameron said Thursday that Britain would look to the United States for solutions to gang violence after nights of riots and looting, and promised authorities would get strong powers to stop street mayhem erupting again.

Cameron told lawmakers he was "are acting decisively to restore order on our streets," as police raided houses to round up suspects from four nights of unrest in London and other English cities.

Acknowledging that police had been overwhelmed by mobile groups of looters in the first nights of the rioting, Cameron said authorities were considering new powers, including allowing police to order thugs to remove masks or hoods, evicting troublemakers from subsidized housing and temporarily disabling cell phone instant messaging services.

He said the 16,000 police deployed on London's streets to deter rioters and reassure residents would remain through the weekend. "We will not let a violent few beat us," Cameron said.

Lawmakers were summoned back from their summer vacations for an emergency session of Parliament on the riots as government and police worked to regain control, both on the streets and in the court of public opinion.

Calm prevailed in London overnight, with a highly visible police presence watching over the capital, but a sense of nervousness lingered across the country.

During a session lasting almost three hours in which he faced 160 questions from lawmakers, Cameron promised tough measures to stop further violence and said "nothing should be off the table." He said that included water cannon and plastic bullets — though senior police have said they don't feel the need to use those at the moment. He also said officials would

look at "whether there are tasks that the army could undertake that would free up more police for the front line."

Cameron said he would seek American advice on fighting the street gangs he blamed for helping spark Britain's riots.

He told lawmakers that he would look to cities like



**Britain's Prime Minister David Cameron leaves Downing Street in London, to attend Parliament, Thursday, Aug. 11, 2011. Parliament has been recalled in the wake of widespread rioting. An emergency session of Parliament will be held Thursday to discuss the rioting and looting which has caused devastation across England and left three men who attempted to protect their community from the violence dead.**

(AP Photo/Kirsty Wigglesworth)

Boston for inspiration, and mentioned former Los Angeles and New York Police Chief William Bratton as a person who could help offer advice.

He said he wanted to look at cities that had fought gangs "by engaging the police, the voluntary sector and local government."

"I also believe we should be looking beyond our shores to learn the lessons from others who have faced similar problems," Cameron said.

He said the government, police and intelligence services were looking at whether there should be limits on the use of social media sites like Twitter and Facebook or services like BlackBerry Messenger to spread disorder. BlackBerry's simple and largely cost free messaging service was used by rioters to coordinate their activities, Cameron's office said.

Britain's Home Office said it planned to hold talks with police chiefs, Twitter, Facebook and BlackBerry manufacturer Research In Motion Ltd.

Government officials said they were discussing with spy agencies and communications companies whether messaging services could be disabled in specific areas, or at specific times.

Authorities are considering "whether it would be right to stop people communicating via these web-



**Police officers apprehend a suspect in south London, Thursday Aug. 11, 2011, during a series of raids to recover property stolen during the recent civil disturbances. Britain's Prime Minister David Cameron promised vigorous and wide-ranging measures to restore order and prevent riots erupting again on Britain's streets - including taking gang-fighting tips from American cities. Cameron told lawmakers there would be no "culture of fear" on Britain's streets, as police raided houses to round up more suspects from four days of rioting and looting in London and other English cities.**

sites and services when we know they are plotting violence, disorder and criminality," Cameron said. Cameron said that, in the future, police would be able to order people to remove masks, hoods or other face coverings when they suspect them of concealing their identity to carry out a crime. Currently, police must seek approval from a senior officer.

Communities Secretary Eric Pickles confirmed that powers that allow authorities to evict convicted criminals from government-subsidized housing will be

strengthened. Authorities have the power to eject someone from social housing if they commit a crime, but only if the offense is in their own neighborhood. Pickles said he hoped the power would be more widely used, and that it would apply to crime committed anywhere.

A program that can ban gang members from meeting together, loitering in certain places, or displaying gang insignia will also be extended, he said.

Some lawmakers urged Cameron to take even tougher measures. □



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# A tortured choice in famine: Which child lives?

By **MALKHADIR M. MUHUMED**

**Associated Press**

**DADAAB, Kenya (AP) —**

Wardo Mohamud Yusuf walked for two weeks with her 1-year-old daughter on her back and her 4-year-old son at her side to flee Somalia's drought and famine. When the boy collapsed near the end of the journey, she poured some of the little water she had on his head to cool him, but he was unconscious and could not drink.

She asked other families traveling with them for help, but none stopped, fearful for their own survival.

Then the 29-year-old mother had to make a choice that no parent should have to make. "Finally, I decided to leave him behind to his God on the road," Yusuf said days later in an interview at a teeming refugee camp in Dadaab, Kenya. "I am sure that he was alive, and that is my heartbreak." Parents fleeing the devastating famine on foot —

sometimes with as many as seven children in tow — are having to make unimaginably cruel choices: Which children have the best chance to survive when food and water run low? Who should be left behind? "I have never faced such a dilemma in my life," Yusuf told The Associated Press. "Now I'm reliving the pain of abandoning my child. I wake up at night to think



**Faqid Nur Elmi's poses outside her hut in Dagahaley refugee camp north of Dadaab, Eastern Kenya, 100 kms (60 miles) from the Somali border, Thursday Aug. 11, 2011. When her 3-year-old son succumbed to hunger and thirst while fleeing Somalia's famine, she could only surround his body with small dried branches to serve as his grave. She couldn't stop to mourn — there were five other children to think about. The United Nations warned Wednesday that the famine in East Africa hasn't peaked and hundreds of thousands of people face imminent starvation and death without a massive global response. About 1,300 new refugees arrive each day in Dadaab camps in northeastern Kenya. The new influx are running away from a famine that is getting worse in southern Somalia as an al-Qaida-linked militants in the country barred some major aid groups from operating in its areas of control, worsening the situation of the most vulnerable people.**

(AP Photo/Jerome Delay)

about him. I feel terrified whenever I see a son of his age." Dr. John Kivleenge, a mental health officer for the International Rescue Committee at Dadaab emphasizes the extreme duress Somali mothers and fathers are facing. "It is a normal reaction to an abnormal situation. They can't sit down and wait to die together," he said. "But after a month, they will suffer post-trau-

matic stress disorder, which means they will have flashbacks and nightmares.

"The picture of the children they abandoned behind will come back to them and haunt them," he said. "They will also have poor sleep and social problems." The United States estimates that more than 29,000 Somali children under age 5 have died in the famine in the last three months. An

unknown number too weak to walk farther have been abandoned on the sandy trek to help after food and water supplies ran out.

Faduma Sakow Abdullahi, a 29-year-old widow, attempted the journey to Dadaab with her baby and other children ages 5, 4, 3 and 2. A day before she reached the refugee camp, her 4-year-old daughter and 5-year-old

son wouldn't wake up after a brief rest.

Abdullahi said she did not want to "waste" the little water she had in a 5-liter container on dying children when the little ones needed it. Nor did she want to wait for too long until her other children started dying, so she stood up and walked away a few paces — then returned in the hopes the youngsters were in fact alive. After several back-and-forth walks, she finally left her two children under a tree, unsure whether they could be resuscitated.

More than 12 million people in East Africa are in need of food aid because of the severe drought. The U.N. says 2.8 million of those are in need of immediate lifesaving assistance, including more than 450,000 in Somalia's famine zones.

Ahmed Jafar Nur, a 50-year-old father of seven, was traveling with his 14-year-old son and 13-year-old daughter to Kenya. But after only two days of walking, they ran out of water. By the third day, they could only sit beneath a big tree — thirsty, hungry and exhausted.

"The two children could not walk on anymore. Then instead of us all dying there, I was forced to leave them to their fate, especially after I thought of the other five children and their mother I left behind at home. □

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# Syrian troops kill 11 in restive town near Lebanon

By BASSEM MROUE

Associated Press

**BEIRUT (AP)** — The Syrian army shot dead 11 people in a western town near the Lebanese border on Thursday and stormed a north-western town near Turkey's border, activists said.

The shooting in the western town of Qusair also wounded many others, according to several Syrian human rights and activists groups. Anti-government protests are common in Qusair and, combined with the early morning assault on the town of Saraqeb near the Turkish border, reflected the determination of President Bashar Assad to crush the five-month old uprising despite mounting international condemnation.

The U.S. imposed new sanctions on Wednesday, and a flurry of foreign diplomats have rolled through Damascus urging Assad to end a campaign of killing that rights groups say has



In this photo released by the Syrian official news agency SANA, Syrian photographers take pictures for a burnt police vehicle, after a weeklong military assault that the government said was aimed at rooting out "terrorists," in Hama city, Syria, on Wednesday Aug. 10, 2011, which has seen some of the largest anti-government protests of the 5-month-old uprising. The streets of Hama were deserted on Wednesday and the city in central Syria that has come to symbolize defiance against the regime appeared to be under full government control after last week's brutal crackdown on protesters.

(AP Photo/SANA)

It said the two agreed on Thursday that the violence in Syria must stop and that the demands of the Syrian people for a transition to democracy must be met. Obama and Erdogan agreed to consult closely on the situation in the coming days.

A U.S.-based international human rights groups released a report Wednesday night accusing Syrian authorities of targeting medical facilities, health workers and their patients. It called on the government to safeguard doctors' obligations to provide neutral and ethical care for civilians. Physicians for Human Rights said security forces control access to hospitals, and many injured civilians in need of critical care are forgoing treatment because they fear being detained and tortured if they seek care at government-controlled medical facilities.

"In addition to the widely reported atrocities committed by the government, PHR has received reports of serious violations of medical neutrality in Syria," a statement by the group said.

It also quoted a group of Syrian physicians as saying 134 doctors have either been detained by the government or have disappeared. □

## S.African children may have stopped sex predator



In this photo taken Monday, Aug. 8, 2011, Samkele Mhlongo, a Greytown police translator, is seen during an interview with The Associated Press at her office in Greytown, South Africa. The words of little children from an isolated town in rural South Africa may have stopped an international sex predator. U.S. investigators say Jesse Osmun confessed that as a Peace Corps volunteer, he for months sexually molested at least five girls at a South African shelter for AIDS orphans and other children.

(AP Photo/Themba Hadebe)

By DONNA BRYSON

Associated Press

**GREYTOWN**, South Africa (AP) — The words of little children from an isolated town in rural South Africa may have stopped an international sex predator.

U.S. investigators say Jesse Osmun confessed that as a Peace Corps volunteer, he for months sexually mo-

lested at least five girls at a South African shelter for AIDS orphans and other children. None of the girls were older than 6.

In a Twitter account and blogs, Osmun portrayed himself as a champion of Africa and wrote about working with children. Before coming to South Africa, where he started work

at the shelter in March 2010, Osmun volunteered at an orphanage in Kenya, where the director said he did no harm. Osmun also wrote of seeking other international aid work before his arrest last week.

His do-gooder identity may have helped cover a darker side. Then the little girls spoke.

"They were frightened. They were brave to tell. They did something very important," said Samkele Mhlongo, a Greytown police translator who helped an American investigator interview two of the victims from the Umvoti AIDS Centre where Osmun volunteered.

Mhlongo said the children, shown pictures of Osmun, said they described being instructed by him to perform oral sex, and afterward being given candy and warnings not to tell anyone what had happened. Mhlongo said Osmun showed the children child pornography stored on his computer. □

left about 1,700 dead since mid-March. Turkey's foreign minister, a day after meeting with Assad, on Wednesday renewed his condemnation of the attacks.

The White House said President Barack Obama spoke with Turkish Prime Minister Tayyip Erdogan to underscore his deep concern about the Syrian government's use of violence against civilians.

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# Romney tells Iowa hecklers, 'corporations are people'



Former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney, a Republican candidate for president, speaks at a town hall meeting in Nashua, N.H., Aug. 8, 2011.

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**DES MOINES, Iowa** – Emerging on the campaign trail in Iowa after largely shunning the state, Mitt Romney was confronted Thursday by hecklers on corporate tax policy and told them, "Corporations are people, my friend." Romney was speaking at the Iowa State Fair's soapbox Thursday morning,

but when it was time for the question-and-answer session, the mood turned heated, with a small group of angry hecklers calling on Romney to support raising taxes on the wealthy to help finance social entitlement programs.

"We have to make sure that the promises we make in Social Security, Medicare and Medicaid are promises

we can keep, and there are various ways of doing that," Romney said. "One is, we can raise taxes on people."

"Corporations!" the protesters shouted, suggesting that Romney, as president, should raise taxes on large businesses.

"Corporations!" "Corporations are people, my friend," Romney responded, as the hecklers shouted back, "No, they're not!"

"Of course they are," Romney said, chuckling slightly. "Everything corporations earn ultimately goes to people. Where do you think it goes?"

It was a telling, unscripted moment for Romney likely to be replayed on YouTube.

In an instant, he seemed to humanize himself by pointedly squabbling with the group of hecklers, showing flashes of anger and defying his reputation as a sometimes stilted, unfeeling candidate.

But at the same time, he seemed to reinforce another image of himself: as an out-of-touch businessman who sees the world from the executive suite.

Romney's remarks drew a quick response from Democratic Party officials.

"It is a shocking admission from a candidate – and a party – that shamelessly puts forward policies to help large corporations and the wealthiest Americans at the expense of the middle class, seniors and students," said Rep. Debbie Wasserman Schultz of Florida, chairwoman of the Democratic National Committee.

The remarks and the reaction touch a sensitive spot for Romney. His past as co-founder of Bain Capital, a private equity firm, gives him the business credentials that he says are needed to steer a troubled economy. But Democrats have depicted Bain under his tenure as a company that destroyed jobs through corporate takeovers in search of profits.

Thursday was Romney's most fiery day on the campaign trail this week, even before the hecklers, who were affiliated with Iowa Citizens for Community Im-

provement, an organizing group, drew him into several aggressive exchanges. Wearing a navy blue shirt and brown jeans, Romney took the stage with sweat already glistening on his brow and upper lip.

The sweat trickled down his cheek as he worked himself into animated rhythm in a 10-minute speech that criticized President Barack Obama.

"We're led by a man who is a fine fella, but he's out of his depth and doesn't understand how the economy works," said Romney, who is leading the Republican field in many polls but is not taking part in Saturday's Iowa straw poll.

When the questions turned combative, Romney held his ground.

"If you want to speak, you can speak, but right now it's my turn," he said to applause, leaning into the crowd to cut off an elderly man who was yelling at him about Social Security.

"You came here to listen!" the man retorted, to which Romney replied: "No, no, I came here to talk. Hold on a second, let me speak."

Moments later, when he realized he wasn't changing any of the hecklers' minds, he said they were free to vote for someone else.

"I'm not going to raise taxes – that's my answer," he said. "And if you want someone who can raise taxes, you can vote for Barack Obama." □

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The regatta will not only be a great competition for the sailors, on Eagle Beach there will also be a lot going on. As of this year, Aruba Beach Tennis organizes its ranking tournament at the regatta location at Eagle Beach. In the evenings there will be live performances, DJ’s, parties, beach tennis and kitesurf shows. Main sponsor Café Rembrandt will take care of the catering from 10 am. On Friday 12, the traditional ‘Around Aruba’ race will be sailed. In this race, that starts at 8 am, the yachts battle for the Mount Gay Challenge Cup that is awarded for the fastest yacht. The first yachts will finish around 1 pm, last year the last yacht finished at 9.30pm. In the evening the regatta will be opened and the awards for the



Around Aruba Race will be given.

On Saturday 13, 16 sailing competitions and the beach tennis competition will take place between 9:30am and 5 pm. After the competition there will be the Polar Happy Hour, a live performance by Acoustic Soul and, weather permitting, kite surfing demonstrations. The Sunday program

will be similar, spectacular races, great beach tennis, and of course the relaxed atmosphere of the regatta village. In the evening the regatta will be closed with the awards ceremony in which the Budget Marine Overall Cup will be awarded and the closing dinner for participants, sponsors and volunteers.

The success of the Aruba Rembrandt Regatta, the largest sailing event of Aruba, demonstrates that the Aruban sailing sport is growing. The initiative of SYWA, training the youngest in optimists, the regular competitions of the Sunfish Club, Beach Cats, windsurfers and kitesurfers culminate in this annual event. The Aruban private sector shows its appreciation of the event through their sponsoring. About 40



volunteers, amongst which Boatplatoon Carib of the Dutch Marines, make it all possible.

The racing courses of the sailing competition have been designed so that spectators can follow the thrill of the races from the shadow of the tents in the regatta village. For the full program, visit the website <http://aruba-regatta.com>.

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PAUL NEWBERRY  
AP National Writer

**AUSTIN, Texas (AP)** — Texas Gov. Rick Perry is running for president, a spokesman confirmed Thursday, a move certain to shake up the race for the GOP nomination much to the delight of conservatives looking for a candidate to embrace. Perry spokesman Mark Miner said the governor would make his intentions known on Saturday while visiting South Carolina and New Hampshire just as most of his presidential rivals compete in a test vote in Iowa. Official word of Perry's entrance into the race came just hours before eight candidates, including GOP front-runner Mitt Romney, were to appear on stage during a nationally televised debate. It wasn't much of a surprise. The longest-serving governor in Texas history has flirted with a presidential run since spring and has spent the past few months courting Republicans in early voting states and laying the groundwork for a campaign.

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Tiger Woods reacts to an approach shot on the 11th hole during the first round of the PGA Championship golf tournament Thursday, Aug. 11, 2011, at the Atlanta Athletic Club in Johns Creek, Ga.

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Philadelphia Phillies' Hunter Pence, right, is congratulated by teammate Ryan Howard after hitting a two-run home run during the fourth inning of a baseball game against the Los Angeles Dodgers, Wednesday, Aug. 10, 2011, in Los Angeles.

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## Phillies come from 6 down to beat Dodgers

### NL Roundup

**LOS ANGELES (AP)** — The Philadelphia Phillies overcame a six-run deficit to edge the Los Angeles Dodgers 9-8 on Wednesday and complete a three-game sweep in their National League series. Ryan Howard and Hunter Pence homered for the Phillies, who won for the 12th time in 13 games and completed a 9-1 road trip. Down 6-0 after three innings, the Phillies scored four runs in the sixth for a

9-7 lead. Howard's 25th homer of the season was a tiebreaking, two-run shot with two outs. Philadelphia reliever Kyle Kendrick (7-5) pitched one inning for the win after replacing starter Vance Worley. Ryan Madson, the sixth Phillies pitcher, got three outs for his 22nd save. Brewers 5, Cardinals 1 In St. Louis, Milwaukee opened a five-game lead over St. Louis in the NL Central by winning its 13th game out of 14.

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Galina Voskoboeva, of Kazakhstan, blows a kiss to the crowd after defeating Maria Sharapova, of Russia, at the Rogers Cup women's tennis tournament in Toronto on Thursday, Aug. 11, 2011.

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## Sharapova loses in third round Rogers Cup

**TORONTO (AP)** — Maria Sharapova had an upset loss to 135th-ranked Galina Voskoboeva of Kazakhstan at the Rogers Cup on Thursday, becoming the latest casualty of a draw which has lost 11 of the 16 seeds. The 26-year-old Voskoboeva, who ousted Marion Bartoli and Flavia Pennetta to reach the third round,

beat fifth-seeded Sharapova 6-3, 7-5 with soft drop shots and had the veteran chasing balls to the baseline throughout the match. "It makes for an exciting story because at the end of the day it doesn't matter what you're ranked or seeded, the reason we go out and play the matches is to know who's going to be

the winner on that day," said Sharapova, who has 23 career singles titles. Voskoboeva reached her first career semifinal earlier this year. "Whether you're No. 1 in the world or you're facing someone that's 100 or so, you still have to go out and win."

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# Klinsmann settles for draw in debut as U.S. coach

DAN GELSTON

AP Sports Writer

**PHILADELPHIA (AP)** — Jurgen Klinsmann's debut as U.S. coach resulted in a 1-1 draw with Mexico on Wednesday, a better outcome than the Gold Cup final loss last month that led to him being hired. Robbie Rogers's late equalizer salvaged a draw after Oribe Peralta scored in the 17th minute for Mexico in a rematch of the Gold Cup final.

And while Klinsmann's arrival didn't ensure a win, he did send a message without saying a word. He stripped the names off the back of the jerseys and assigned the numbers 1-11 for the starters and 12-18 for the reserves, explaining that he wanted his players to know that all that mattered was representing their country. "It was a special moment," Klinsmann said of his U.S. coaching debut. "It was a special moment before the game, listening to the

anthem and feeling the energy from the stadium and the players."

Klinsmann only held three practices since he took over a program that needed a clear jolt after years of mediocre results. So the Americans, with a revamped midfield, still need to develop a feel for each other and an understanding of what to expect out of Klinsmann.

One of the greatest players Germany ever produced, Klinsmann was put in charge of making the U.S. competitive again. After reaching the round of 16 at last year's World Cup, the Americans took a step backward this year. They were routed by Spain in early June, upset by Panama in Gold Cup group play and then blew a two-goal lead against Mexico in the final, costing Bob Bradley his job.

Rogers leveled in the 73rd minute when he tapped in a nice crossing pass from



United States' Robbie Rogers, left, is greeted by teammates Juan Agudelo, Brek Shea and Jose Torres, from left, after scoring the tying goal during the second half of a friendly soccer match with Mexico, Wednesday, Aug. 10, 2011, in Philadelphia. The match ended in a 1-1 tie.

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Shea. Rogers had just replaced Michael Bradley, playing for the U.S. team for the first time since his father was fired.

That goal was good enough for the 30,138 fans who saw the U.S. earlier blow what had been their only true

scoring opportunity.

The U.S. nearly equalized in the 56th, but Carlos Bocanegra's header from Landon Donovan's corner was turned away by Guillermo Ochoa.

There was a brief skirmish in the first half before cooler

heads prevailed. These are the two best teams in CONCACAF, and it's a heated rivalry whenever and wherever they play. Mexico has only beaten the U.S. twice on U.S. soil since 2000, but the wins have been in the past two Gold Cup finals. □



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# Granderson dinger leads Yankees over Angels

## AL Roundup

**NEW YORK (AP)** — New York's Curtis Granderson hit a three-run homer in the first inning to set up the Yankees' 9-3 win over the Los Angeles Angels on Wednesday, ending their run of three straight losses in the American League. Granderson got his 31st homer of the season, before Los Angeles rookie pitcher Garrett Richards got his first major league out.

Robinson Cano tacked on a two-run shot in the seventh, getting within a single of hitting for the cycle.

Richards (0-1) allowed six runs in five innings, having been called up from the minors to fill in for suspended ace Jered Weaver.

New York starter Ivan Nova (11-4) took over the big league lead in wins for rookies, allowing five hits in six innings.

### Twins 5, Red Sox 2

In Minneapolis, Jim Thome hit a tiebreaking RBI double during Minnesota's three-run eighth inning which lifted the Twins over Boston. Thome, who also had a run-scoring single, hit the 119th pitch of the game from Red Sox starter Jon Lester (11-6) to left field for a 3-2 lead.

Danny Valencia added an RBI double and Tsuyoshi Nishioka came through with a run-scoring single in the eighth.

The Twins got an outstanding effort from starter Nick Blackburn, who gave up only one unearned run in 6-2/3 innings.

### Indians 10, Tigers 3

In Cleveland, the hosts shaved another game off Detroit's lead in the AL Central division, reducing the gap to two games.

Ubaldo Jimenez (1-0) won in his first home start for Cleveland since being traded from Colorado. He allowed six hits in eight innings, striking out six and walking only one.

Jason Kipnis went 5 for 5 with four runs and three RBIs, becoming the first Cleveland rookie in 59 years to get five hits and score four times in a game. He hit a two-run



Los Angeles Angels catcher Jeff Mathis watches New York Yankees' Curtis Granderson hit a solo home run off of Angels starting pitcher Garrett Richards in the fifth inning of a baseball game Wednesday, Aug. 10, 2011, at Yankee Stadium in New York.

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for the victory.

Athletics starter Gio Gonzalez (9-10) allowed four runs in five innings.

### Rays 8, Royals 7

In St. Petersburg, Sam Fuld hit a game-tying triple and then scored on an errant throw to complete Tampa Bay's five-run ninth inning which lifted the Rays over Kansas City.

Fuld hit a drive to right center off Royals closer Joakim Soria (5-5) and wound up scoring the winning run when second baseman Johnny Giavotella made a bad relay throw to third.

**In other AL games it was Baltimore 6, Chicago White Sox 4, 10 innings; Cleveland 10, Detroit 3; N.Y. Yankees 9, L.A. Angels 3; Toronto 8, Oakland 4; Tampa Bay 8, Kansas City 7; Seattle 4, Texas 3; and Minnesota 5, Boston 2.** □

## Phillies

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Brewers starter Randy Wolf (9-8) pitched eight innings, retiring 18 of his last 20 batters, giving up only one run and no walks.

Prince Fielder had a sacrifice fly in the first inning and an RBI double in the third to help Milwaukee clinch only its fifth road series win of the season and will try for a three-game sweep Thursday.

Despite their strong season, the Brewers have a losing record on the road, yet are one win away from a perfect 6-0 trip. Cardinals starter Jake Westbrook (9-6) lasted eight innings despite matching his season-worst with five walks, three to the first 12 hitters.

### Braves 6, Marlins 2

In Miami, Dan Uggla extended his hitting streak to 31 games — the best by any player this season — as Atlanta beat Florida and completed a three-game road sweep. Uggla's two-run single in the first inning tied Rico Carty for the second-longest streak in franchise history. Tommy Holmes holds the record with 37 straight for the Boston Braves in 1945.

Uggla went 3 for 5, his ninth multihit game during the longest hitting streak in the majors this season. Dodger Andre Ethier hit in 30 straight games.

Eric Hinske drove in two runs for the Braves, who have won six of seven.

Atlanta starter Tim Hudson (12-7) allowed two runs in 7 1-3 innings and struck out seven.

Florida's Anibal Sanchez (6-6) stretched his winless streak to 11 games. He allowed five runs in 1 2-3 innings. The Marlins have lost seven straight.

### Pirates 9, Giants 2

In San Francisco, Pittsburgh defeated San Francisco to take its first series win in three weeks.

The Pirates took two of three from the reigning World Series champions on the heels of a 10-game losing streak.

The defeat cost the Giants the lead in the NL West, overtaken by Arizona, which beat Houston.

Andrew McCutchen hit a two-run homer and Garrett Jones added an RBI singles to back Jeff Karstens (9-6), who struck out a career-best nine and bounced back from giving up nine runs in his previous start. Giants starter Jonathan

Sanchez (4-7), who hasn't won for 10 weeks, allowed five runs in 4 1-3 innings.

### Reds 3, Rockies 2

In Cincinnati, Joey Votto hit the last of Cincinnati's three solo homers, giving the Reds a narrow win over Colorado.

Votto's leadoff homer in the sixth snapped a 2-2 tie. Edgar Renteria and Jay Bruce also homered off the 36-year-old Kevin Millwood, who signed a contract before the game and made a comeback to the big leagues.

Cincinnati starter Mike Leake (10-7) gave up 11 hits in 7 1-3 innings but still managed to become the Reds' first 10-game winner. The Reds turned a season-high four double plays.

### Padres 9, Mets 5

In New York, Will Venable had four hits to help San Diego beat New York.

Cameron Maybin had two RBIs while Venable tripled, singled and doubled twice for the Padres.

**In other NL games it was Philadelphia 9, L.A. Dodgers 8; Pittsburgh 9, San Francisco 2; Atlanta 6, Florida 2; Cincinnati 3, Colorado 2; San Diego 9, N.Y. Mets 5; Chicago Cubs 4, Washington 2; Milwaukee 5, St. Louis 1; Arizona 6, Houston 3.** □



# Djokovic, Berdych advance to Rogers Cup quarters

**MONTREAL (AP)** — Some top players have shown signs of rust at the Rogers Cup, though not top-ranked Novak Djokovic.

The 24-year-old Serb kept up his strong play this season with a 7-5, 6-3 victory over Marin Cilic of Croatia on Thursday to reach the quarterfinals of the Masters Series event.

In his second match since taking over the No. 1 ranking with a victory at Wimbledon four weeks ago, Djokovic broke the lanky Cilic's heavy serve twice in the second set to improve to 50-1 this year — including 26-0 on hard courts.

He beat another former top-10 player, Evgeny Davydenko, in straight sets in the second round.

"Both of the matches I've played here were against good players, but I didn't get any rhythm in either match," Djokovic said. "Conditions were

quite different today.

"There was a lot of wind. It wasn't a beautiful match to play or watch, but I guess in the right moments I kept the ball in the court to make my opponent make unforced errors.

I was just more patient and played well, so I guess that's the positive."

Djokovic, seeking his ninth tournament win of the season, will face the winner of a later match between 12th-seeded Viktor Troicki of Serbia and fifth-seeded Frenchman Gael Monfils.

The tournament has already lost defending champion Andy Murray and second-seeded Rafael Nadal to upsets in the early rounds.

Ivan Dodig, the 41st-ranked Croat who beat Nadal, had little left a day later as he was beaten 6-1, 6-4 by unseeded Serb Janko Tipsarevic.

Tipsarevic will face seventh-

seeded Tomas Berdych in the quarter-finals on Friday. He is 2-0 in his career against the Czech veteran.

Berdych downed Ivo Karlovic 6-3, 7-6 (2).

Also, Stanislas Wawrinka ousted Kevin Anderson 6-4, 4-6, 6-4.

Djokovic is on pace for a semifinal meeting with former world No. 1 and third seed Roger Federer, who was to face Jo-Wilfried Tsonga later.

Djokovic said it is normal for top players to be a little off their games after the break most of them take between grass court play at Wimbledon and the hard court season leading up to the U.S. Open.

Upsets have also befallen top players at the women's Rogers Cup in Toronto, where Maria Sharapova and French Open champion Li Na were the latest to go down on Thursday. □

## Sharapova

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That's what the sport is all about," Sharapova added. Hours earlier, No. 6-seeded Li Na lost 6-2, 6-4 to No. 10 Samantha Stosur of Australia. Li became the first Asian player to win a Grand Slam singles title two months ago at the French Open.

No. 11 Andrea Petkovic of Germany also reached the quarterfinals after cruising by Wimbledon champion Petra Kvitova of the Czech Republic 6-1, 6-2.

Third-seeded Vera Zvonareva of Russia is also out, losing 6-4, 7-6 (4) to Agnieszka Radwanska of Poland.

Voskoboeva and Sharapova battled point for point before the Kazakh player nearly lost her composure, allowing Sharapova an opening in the match that lasted 1 hour, 47 minutes.

The 24-year-old Sharapova was facing match point three times but Voskoboeva double-faulted twice and then fired a shot into the net. Voskoboeva hurled her racket to the ground

in frustration a couple of times pulling herself together, sealing the victory when Sharapova's shot fell short.

"Obviously she played really well this tournament and you could tell today that she came to the match with a lot of confidence, swinging away and going for serve and her shots," Sharapova said. "If she could consistently play like that, she wouldn't be ranked where she is today. She showed that she can play really great tennis."

Fourth-seeded Victoria Azarenka of Belarus booked her spot in the quarterfinals with a 6-1, 6-2 win over Maria Jose Martinez Sanchez of Spain, while Roberta Vinci of Italy defeated Ana Ivanovic of Serbia, 7-6 (3), 6-2.

Serena Williams, the tournament's remaining big star, faced Jie Zheng of China in the late match.

Thursday's loss of star power came a day after No. 1 Caroline Wozniacki was ousted.

Also gone: second-seeded Kim Clijsters, who withdrew



**Maria Sharapova of Russia, reacts after missing a shot while playing against Galina Voskoboeva of Kazakhstan, at the Rogers Cup women's tennis tournament in Toronto, Thursday, Aug. 11, 2011.**

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earlier this week due to an abdominal injury, and former world No. 1 Jelena Jankovic and No. 9 Bartoli. Li was playing her first game of the week after being handed a bye through the first round and then a walk-over victory when compatriot Shuai Peng withdrew with an injury. □



**Novak Djokovic, from Serbia, returns to Marin Cilic, from Croatia, during the Rogers Cup men's tennis tournament Thursday, Aug. 11, 2011, in Montreal. Djokovic won 7-5, 6-2.**

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# Rodman, Class of '11 to enter hoops Hall of Fame



Chris Mullin, left, and Dennis Rodman react during a news conference at the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame in Springfield, Mass., Thursday, Aug. 11, 2011. Mullin and Rodman will be inducted into the Basketball Hall of Fame Friday.

By BRIAN MAHONEY

AP Basketball Writer |

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. (AP) —

The acknowledgement list could only belong to Dennis Rodman. There were coaches Phil Jackson and fellow inductee Tex Winter. He mentioned teammate

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Michael Jordan, along with rockers Eddie Vedder and Motley Crue. And he thanked that guy Stern who's coming to see him Friday night. That's Howard Stern, not the NBA commissioner. Rodman's uncommon blend of basketball

and entertainment has arrived at the sport's birthplace, where he will be enshrined in the Naismith Memorial Hall of Fame on Friday as part of the 10-person class of 2011. "I really didn't play the game to be in the Hall of Fame. That wasn't my job," Rodman said. "My job was to go out there and win ballgames, have a good time and take care of my family. As long as the people had a good time, that was my main objective." Dressed in all black, wearing sunglasses, an Ed Hardy tattooing hat and a scarf that read "The Worm, HOF '11" on the inside, the five-time NBA champion was the center of attention during Thursday's news conferences. Exactly the way he likes it. "I just love

living life free. And for me to shine, I shine every damn day," Rodman said. "This is for other people here that don't get to see these famous people that's going to come in this building tomorrow." Dream Teamer and two-time Olympic gold medalist Chris Mullin is the other headline name in the class, though much of the focus was on Rodman. Looking toward him, Stanford women's coach Tara VanDerveer joked she was so excited she was "gonna go out and get a tattoo." VanDerveer, who has led Stanford to two national championships and won more than 800 games, joins Winter and Division II Philadelphia University coach Herb Magee, the career leader at the collegiate

level with more than 900 wins, as the coaches being enshrined. Jackson will present both Rodman and Winter, whose triangle offense was used by Jackson to build dynasties in Chicago and Los Angeles.

"I don't know what's more shocking, that they didn't put Tex in 30 years ago, or they didn't make Dennis wait another 30 years," said Winter's son, Chris. Eight-time NBA champion Tom "Satch" Sanders, big men Artis Gilmore and Arvydas Sabonis; the late Reece "Goose" Tatum of the Harlem Globetrotters, and women's star Teresa Edwards, who won five Olympic medals — four golds — and is entering her fifth Hall of Fame, also will be honored at Symphony Hall. □

## Stricker

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He met privately with potential donors from California to New York and gave rousing speeches to party faithful, casting himself as a fiscally responsible social conservative.

His intentions became even clearer over the past few days when officials disclosed that he would visit an important trio of states, a campaign-like schedule timed to overshadow the debate and the Iowa straw poll and, perhaps, wreak havoc on a field led by Romney.

Perry's nascent presidential campaign is not expected to rest after this weekend's launch. Rep. Frank Guinta, R-N.H., confirmed that he's scheduled to meet privately with Perry next Wednesday.

He also confirmed a separate meeting with the first-in-the-nation primary state's only Republican senator, Kelly Ayotte.

Neither has decided whom to endorse, but both have

been courted heavily by the presidential field.

Unlike others in the race, Perry has credibility with the at-times warring camps of the GOP's primary electorate.

The pro-business tax-cutter who has presided over Texas' recent economic growth also is a devout social conservative with deep ties to some of the nation's evangelical leaders and Christians who dominate the pivotal Iowa caucuses. But Perry also has never run a national campaign before, and it's unclear whether his Texas swagger and sometimes unorthodox policy positions will sit well with GOP primary voters outside his state. Another open question is whether he can raise the money necessary to mount a strong campaign against those who have been in the race for months or more.

He may face fierce opposition from secular groups and progressives who argue that his religious rhetoric violates the separation of church and state and



Steve Stricker reacts after making a birdie on the first hole during the first round of the PGA Championship golf tournament Thursday, Aug. 11, 2011, at the Atlanta Athletic Club in Johns Creek, Ga.

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that his belief that some groups, such as the Boy Scouts of America, should be allowed to discriminate against gays is bigoted. Within the Republican Party, Perry has enemies among moderates who question his understanding of national and interna-

tional policy, including Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, who ran against him for governor in a bitter 2010 primary race.

An early adopter of tea party rhetoric, Perry even has some opponents in the movement. They complain he hasn't taken strong

enough stances on state spending and illegal immigration, in part because as governor Perry signed a law making Texas the first state to offer in-state tuition to illegal immigrants and blasted a proposed border fence as "idiocy."

But before he starts pumping up supporters and wooing detractors, Perry will need to raise name recognition outside of Texas and conservative circles along with funds to fill a presidential campaign coffer.

None of the money he's raised for Texas elections can be used in a national race, so he is starting from scratch.

The governor lags well behind previously announced candidates in both campaign workers and fundraising, mostly because he denied any interest in the presidency until late May. But the story he tells of having no interest in higher office until friends and family persuaded him to join the race adds to his carefully cultivated image as a Texas cowboy reluctantly riding into Washington to save the day.

The campaign will attempt to position Perry between the moderate Romney and Rep. Michele Bachmann of Minnesota, a tea party favorite. □



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# 'Amazing' normalcy for those with face transplant

**MARILYNN MARCHIONE**  
AP Medical Writer

They savor pizza and burgers, no longer frighten children, and many of them can walk the streets without people knowing they have someone else's cheeks, nose, lips and skin. People who have had face transplants increasingly are going public, helping to transform an operation that six years ago was daredevil theory into one that is widely accepted.

At least 18 face transplants have been done around the world, starting with a French woman mauled by her dog in November 2005, said Dr. Maria Siemionow at Cleveland Clinic. She did the first face transplant in the U.S. in December 2008. Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston has done three this year alone. The U.S. Department of Defense is providing money for more of these surgeries in Cleveland and Boston in hopes of helping soldiers disfigured in battle. The University of Pittsburgh plans to offer face transplantation



Undated photos provided Thursday, Aug. 11, 2011 by the Nash family and Brigham and Women's Hospital show chimpanzee attack victim Charla Nash before she was attacked by a chimpanzee and a recent photo release by the hospital Thursday Aug. 11, 2011 showing Nash after face transplant surgery, right. Nash was mauled by a chimpanzee in 2009 and received the transplant in May 2011 at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Massachusetts. Nash, 57, said in a statement she's looking forward to doing things she once took for granted, including being able to smell, eat normally, speak clearly and kiss loved ones.

soon.

"It isn't mainstream yet. It's a last resort surgery," said Michael Cunningham, a psychologist at the University of Louisville, a pioneer in hand transplantation. But the face transplant ex-

perience so far shows that "there were a lot of naysayers and worries that just didn't seem to come to pass," he said.

On Thursday, the Boston hospital released a photo taken last month of Charla

Nash, a Connecticut woman mauled by a chimpanzee. She had a face transplant in May.

"I will now be able to do things I once took for granted," Nash said in a statement. "I will be able to

smell. I will be able to eat normally. I will no longer be disfigured. I will have lips and will speak clearly once again. I will be able to kiss and hug loved ones. I am tremendously grateful to the donor and her family." Not all face transplant recipients have recovered hoped-for capabilities yet, and some have less than stellar aesthetic results, although they are all vastly improved from how they looked before. The more recent ones in particular, where full rather than partial transplants have been performed, have fared especially well.

"They look from the very beginning quite natural and quite normal," said Dr. Bohdan Pomahac, who has performed four face transplants at Brigham. The most touching moment for him was a recipient texting him nine days after the operation, asking for a place to get good sushi in Boston. "The level of normalcy," and to consider going out in public so soon, is "amazing," Pomahac said.

Here's how some others have fared:

—Dallas Wiens, a 25-year-old Texan severely disfigured in a power line accident, looked like a sock of flesh had been pulled over his face — no eyes or nose and barely a mouth. After his transplant earlier this year in Boston, he said the first thing his young daughter told him was "Daddy, you're so handsome." He said his new face felt "natural," and that right away he could smell the hospital's lasagna.

—Connie Culp, 48, an Ohio woman who was the first U.S. face transplant recipient, has made several television appearances and become an advocate for organ donation. Doctors have refined the droopy jowls and extra skin they purposely left to make checkup biopsies easier, and she now has "a normal face," Siemionow said. "She's smiling, she's perfect. When she jokes, she kind of flickers her eyes. Her face is vivid. You can see emotions." □

## Being young improves survival odds in cold water

**By ALICIA CHANG**  
AP Science Writer

**LOS ANGELES (AP)** — The 12-year-old boy who was rescued after spending 15 minutes or more in the cold Pacific likely survived because of his age, among other factors, experts say. Charles "Dale" Ostrander was visiting the southwest Washington coast with his church youth group last Friday when he was swept out by a rip tide. Rescuers who pulled him out said he had no pulse and his face was pale.

So how did he survive?

Studies of near-drownings in cold water have found that survival depends on many factors including a person's age, water temperature, time spent underwater and how fast CPR is

given.

"He's young and healthy," said Dr. Mark Morocco, an emergency room doctor at the Ronald Reagan UCLA Medical Center in Los Angeles. "Your chances of surviving are better if you're young."

After people get over the initial shock of being plunged into cold water, they generally can survive for a certain period before getting exhausted or falling unconscious.

According to the National Weather Service, the water temperature at the time was around 56 degrees. People generally can survive in that water temperature for about half an hour before their muscles get weak and they lose strength. There's also risk



of hypothermia, which occurs when the body loses heat faster than it can produce it, leading to a dangerously low body temperature.

Kids tend to be more resilient than adults. Scientists point to an innate response that is triggered when people are plunged into cold water.

The heart rate slows down and blood is diverted to the brain and other core organs. This so-called diving reflex is more pro-

nounced in children, allowing them to better survive in frigid water. It's unclear how much this might have played a role in Ostrander's case.

It's unclear how long Dale was underwater. A rescuer said he was pulled from the water 15 minutes after crews were dispatched. Early in his ordeal he managed to get on the boogie board of a girl who paddled over to him, but he disappeared after a wave knocked him off. □



## Wendy's, free of Arby's, reports higher net income

**ATLANTA (AP)** — Wendy's says its net income climbed slightly in the second quarter on improving sales in its first earnings period since selling the struggling Arby's chain. Revenue excluding Arby's climbed 2 percent to \$622 million, helped partly by higher prices but also by customers visiting more and buying more when they did.

Net income rose 5 percent to \$11.3 million.

Like other restaurants, Wendy's Co. is grappling with higher costs for raw ingredients, which caused the profit margin at company-owned restaurants to plummet to 13.9 percent from 16.4 percent. The company also spent more on advertising.

Revenue at company-owned stores open at least a year rose 2.3 percent, the chain's biggest increase since 2008. Wendy's last month sold Arby's to a private-equity firm after about three years as a combined company. □

## South Korea's LG, Japan's Sony end patent fight

**SEOUL, South Korea (AP)** — South Korea's LG Electronics Inc. and Japan's Sony Corp. say they have ended a fight over several patents.

LG said Thursday in an e-mail, "LG and Sony have settled patent-infringement lawsuits and agreed to cross-license each other's patents." The South Korean company declined to elaborate.

Sony spokesman Keita Sanekata in Tokyo confirmed the settlement in a dispute over patents for Blu-ray disc players, TVs and mobile phones. He declined to disclose its terms or other details but said they were moving toward licensing deals.

Sony and LG had filed several infringement complaints against each other in the U.S. and Europe — part of a slew of patent disputes among companies in the highly competitive technology industry. □

# U.S. trade deficit widens in June to \$53.1 billion



In this Feb. 4, 2011 file photo, a container is unloaded from the cargo vessel Seaboard Sun while docked at the Port of Miami in Miami.

Associated Press

**MARTIN CRUTSINGER**  
AP Economics Writer

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — American producers sold fewer industrial engines, electric generators and farm products to the rest of the world in June, pushing the trade deficit to the highest level since 2008 and dealing another blow to an already struggling economy.

The deficit rose 4.4 percent to \$53.1 billion in June, the largest imbalance since October 2008, the Commerce Department reported Thursday. Imports fell 0.8 percent to \$223.9 billion as crude oil prices fell for the first time in nine months. Exports dropped 2.3 percent to \$170.9 billion, the biggest decline in more than two years.

The drop in exports, the second in a row, was a blow to hopes that rising overseas demand will boost the fortunes of American manufacturers in the face of a slump in spending by U.S. consumers. The concern now is that a global slowdown will hobble a U.S. economy that is in danger of stalling out.

The deficit through June is running at an annual rate of \$576.6 billion, 15.3 percent higher than the 2010 imbalance. A higher trade deficit subtracts from overall economic growth because it means consumers are purchasing more foreign-made goods and fewer products made by U.S. workers.

The big rise in June's deficit came as a surprise to economists who had been forecasting an improved deficit based on their belief that oil prices would fall, lowering imports, while exports would recover from a May decline which had been the first setback after 10 monthly gains.

Instead, exports tumbled by the largest amount since a 5.1 percent plunge in January 2009 as the global economy was in the grips of a deep recession.

The weak June trade report was the latest in a string of disappointing economic statistics raising concerns that the U.S. economy could be

in danger of toppling into another recession. The economy slowed to an annual rate of just 0.8 percent in the first six months of the year, the slowest period of growth since the recession officially ended two years ago. In June, consumers cut spending for the first time in 20 months and saved more while wages were barely growing and unemployment remained above 9 percent.

The deficit with China shot up by 6.8 percent to \$26.7 billion in June, the highest since September 2010. The deficit with the European Union rose 12.2 percent to \$9.8 billion, the worst imbalance since July 2008. The deficit with Japan climbed 53 percent to \$4 billion. Imports with Japan had been reduced in previous months following the March natural disasters which disrupted production at Japanese auto plants and other factories. As Japanese factories have resumed more normal operations, shipments to the United States have been rebounding. □

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# Dow up 423 as Wall Street whipsaws again

STAN CHOE

AP Business Writer

**NEW YORK (AP)** — Wall Street's wildest week since 2008 careened into another 400-plus point move for the Dow on Thursday. This time, stocks shot up after investors saw small signs that the U.S. economy might not be headed into another recession.

Fewer Americans joined the unemployment line last week, and a technology bellwether said revenue could grow faster this quarter than analysts expected. The news pushed prices on long-term Treasuries down, and gold fell from its record high.

The Dow Jones industrial average rose 423.37 points.

During a calm market, such a large move would rank as the Dow's biggest in months. For this volatile week, it's more than 100 points off the average. The Dow plunged 634 points Monday, soared 429 points Tuesday, and dove 519 points Wednesday. It's the first time the Dow has ever had four straight 400-point days.

Carlton Neel, who manages about \$2 billion as a senior portfolio manager at Virtus Investment Partners, said investors are so scared of being the last one out of the market in a downturn or the last one in during a rally that they are stampeding in herds, creating more volatility.

"Fear tends to be a much more powerful emotion, and the sell-offs tend to be more violent than the rallies," he said. "But people are worried about missing the bottom, so you will have a few melt-ups along the way." That's because memories of the last melt-down in 2008 are still fresh in the mind of many investors. In October 2008, the Dow had four days of 400-point plus gains and four days of similar losses. That includes a 936-point surge on Oct. 13 after European central banks pledged more aid to banks and the U.S. Treasury offered details about its plan for U.S. banks. Two days later, a report showed retail sales had fallen more



Trader Edward Curran smiles as he works on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange Thursday, Aug. 11, 2011.

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than anticipated and the Dow dropped 733 points. This week's ricocheting is reminiscent of 2008, when

the financial crisis battered stocks. The last time the Standard & Poor's 500 index rose or fell by 4 percent in four straight trading days, as it has just done, was Nov. 19, 2008 through Nov. 24, 2008, according to Kevin Pleines, an analyst at Birinyi Associates. It's only the third time since 1934. October 1987, including the day known as Black Monday when the S&P plunged more than 20 percent, was the first instance. The Dow climbed 3.9 percent Thursday, to 11,143.31. The S&P 500 rose 51.88, or 4.6 percent, to 1,172.64. The Nasdaq rose 111.63, or 4.7 percent, to 2,492.68. The surge came after the government said the number of people filing for unemployment benefits for the first time fell to 395,000 last week, down 7,000 from a week earlier. It's the first time the number has dropped below 400,000 in four months.

Analysts said it may be a sign that the job market is slowly improving after its three-month slump. Job growth slowed to an average of 72,000 in May, June and July. In the previous three months, employers added 215,000 jobs per month, on average. In the last few weeks, investors have grown more worried about the economy. The government said last month that it grew at its slowest pace in the first half of 2011 since the recession ended in 2009. Unemployment is still above 9 percent. □

## Short-selling banned in 4 European countries

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GREG KELLER

Associated Press

**PARIS (AP)** — France, Italy, Spain and Belgium are banning short-selling on select stocks amid efforts to calm market turmoil that has sent bank shares gyrating wildly and aggravated worries about Europe's huge debts.

The European Union's markets supervisor, the ESMA, announced the move late Thursday night after boosting surveillance of stormy markets earlier in the day. The move capped two days of whipsaw trading



The curve of German stock index DAX is seen at the stock market in Frankfurt, central Germany, Thursday, Aug. 11, 2011.

Associated Press

that saw French banks' market value fall and rise by billions of euros. In a short sale, a trader hopes to make a profit by betting on the decline in the price of a share. The practice has been blamed for contributing to market volatility. The ESMA said in a statement that the four countries "have today announced or will shortly announce new bans on short-selling or on short positions" as of Friday.

The French market regulator, the AMF, announced late Thursday that it is banning for 15 days net short-selling on 11 stocks, including those of banks Societe Generale, BNP Paribas and Credit Agricole and leading insurers.

Belgium's market authority said it would ban short-selling on financial shares such as leading banks and

insurers as of Friday. Belgium had already banned naked short selling, basically a bet on a decline in the price of a share without borrowing the share, since August 2008.

Several countries banned short selling amid the financial crisis of 2008 to try to tame volatility. But some experts said the bans actually contributed to a feeling of uncertainty.

French bankers and officials scrambled to soothe investors' nerves after days of suggestions that France could be the next major economy to lose its coveted triple-A credit rating. By late in the day, those efforts appeared to have an effect, but economists said the rebound remained very fragile.

The European Union's markets supervisor said Thursday that

regulators were increasing surveillance of financial markets following the days of steep selloffs. Bank of France head Christian Noyer blamed "unfounded rumors" for plunges in the shares of top banks, including Societe Generale and BNP Paribas, and said the country's financial institutions were sound. The country's market regulator warned of sanctions against anyone who fuels or profits from rumors that fed the sell-off.

Noyer said that French banks' first-half earnings "confirmed their solidity in a difficult economic environment" and that the banks' capital cushions were healthy.

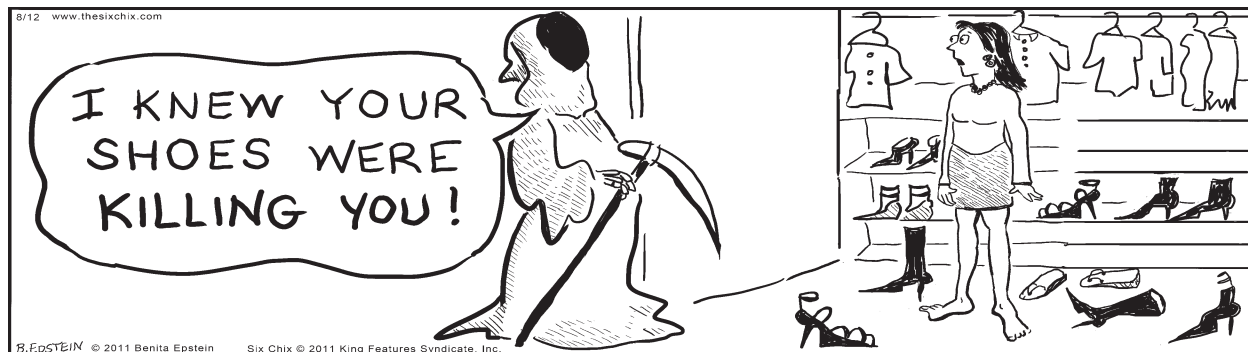
French bank stocks fell Thursday until strong U.S. jobs data helped propel solid gains on Wall Street late in the European trading day. □



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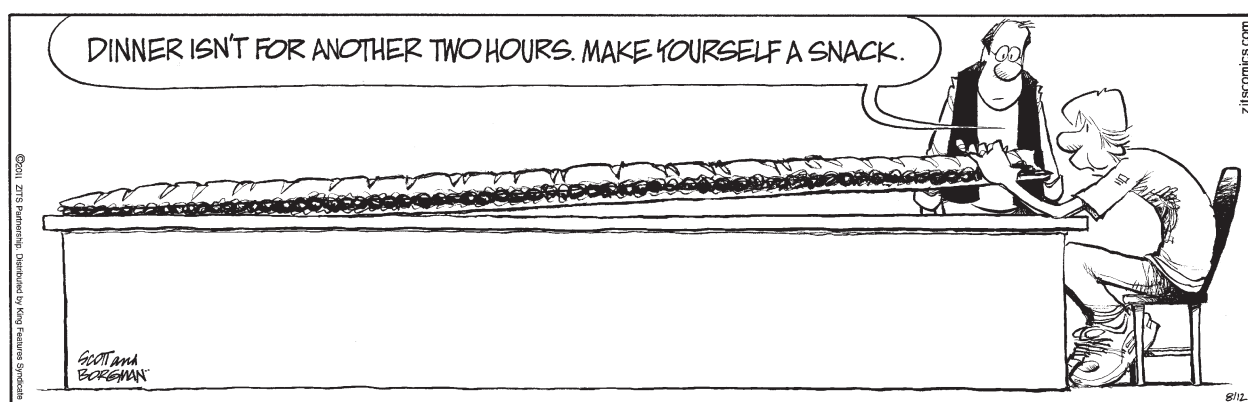
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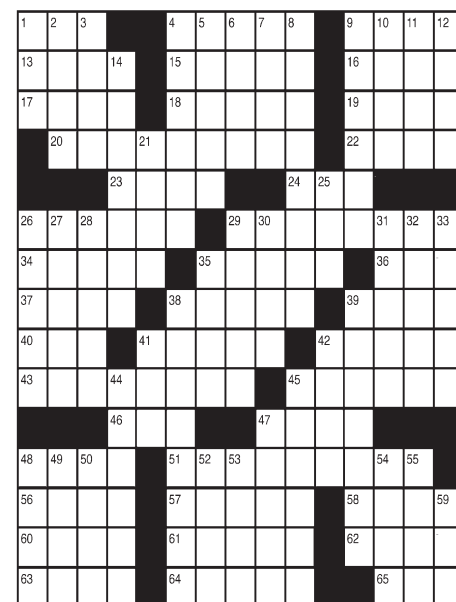
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Yesterday's puzzle answer

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ACROSS

- Saloon
- Cramps
- Do \_\_\_; swim back and forth across a pool
- Word of agreement
- Unworldly; innocent
- Run \_\_\_; go wild
- Turner or Fey
- \_\_\_ times; days of yore
- Actress Rogers
- Disadvantage
- Sports network
- Charged atoms
- Actor McKellen
- Neck scarf
- Germfree
- Ready & willing
- Not as many
- Connect
- King toppers
- Gem
- Couch
- Lieberman or Lugar; abbr.
- Goes out with
- Capsules
- Held in great honor
- Piece of veal
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- Purpose; aim
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- Margin
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Created by Jacqueline E. Mathews

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Thursday's Puzzle Solved

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- Flying mammal
- In the center of
- France's Coty
- Pour oil over ceremoniously
- Soothes
- Ring-shaped island
- Long gun
- Bread ingredient
- Honor with a party
- Huge outdoor celebration
- \_\_\_ on one's hands; failing to take action
- Actress Kerr, to friends
- Football kick
- More uncanny
- Actress Tyson
- Crowbar
- Do as told
- Created
- Pond growth
- Three-\_\_\_ salad
- \_\_\_ with; tease
- Cancel; annul
- Jutting part of a roof
- Rooster's mate



# Today In History

The Associated Press Today is Friday, August 12, the 224th day of 2011. There are 141 days left in the year.

Highlights in history on this date:

1499 - Turks defeat Venetian fleet at Sapienza, Italy. The battle is the one of several wars between the two sides.  
1530 - Florence is restored to Medici family in Italy by Holy Roman Empire troops.  
1687 - Duke of Lorraine and Louis of Baden defeat Turks under Suleiman Pasha at Battle of Mohacs, ending Turkish occupation of Hungary.  
1759 - Russian and Austrian forces defeat Prussians at Kunersdorf, Germany, and Dresden falls into Austrian hands.  
1813 - Austria declares war on France.  
1898 - Hawaiian Islands in Pacific are transferred to United States.  
1938 - Germany begins mobilization of its armed forces.  
1941 - French Marshal Henri Philippe Petain calls on his countrymen to give full support to Nazi Germany in World War II.  
1953 - The Soviet Union detonates its first hydrogen bomb.  
1958 - Cuban rebel leader Fidel Castro announces the complete "liberation" of the Sierra Maestra area of Oriente Province from President Batista's army. Three-hundred Cuban soldiers are killed and 420 captured.  
1960 - U.N. Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjöld and U.N. troops enter rebel province of Katanga in Zaire.  
1961 - The East German

parliament votes to erect a wall separating east Berlin from the western part. It goes up the same night.  
1965 - A U.S. Navy jet fighter-bomber is shot down by a missile 50 miles (80 kilometers) southwest of Hanoi. It is the second U.S. plane shot down by North Vietnamese in three weeks.  
1970 - West Germany and Soviet Union sign nonaggression pact in Moscow.  
1971 - Syria severs diplomatic relations with Jordan as border fighting breaks out.  
1972 - Last U.S. ground combat unit in South Vietnam is deactivated.  
1974 - Floods subside after two months of monsoon rain in Bangladesh, killing at least 2,500 persons and leaving 38 percent of the country under water. Property and crop damage is estimated at US\$2 billion.  
1978 - Japan and China sign a peace treaty, implemented in October.  
1980 - Chilean President Augusto Pinochet announces that 20 police detectives have been arrested and will stand trial for the kidnappings and tortures of leftist students.  
1985 - Japan Airlines Flight 123 from Osaka to Tokyo crashes into a mountainside, killing more than 520 people.  
1988 - Sein Lwin resigns as president of Myanmar and all other major posts following three days of violent anti-government protests.  
1990 - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein offers to withdraw from Kuwait if Israel withdraws from occupied territories.  
1991 - Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev authorizes the establishment of an agency to oversee



the denationalization of large-scale state enterprises.  
1992 - United States, Canada and Mexico reach a free-trade agreement.  
1993 - American troops open fire on stone-throwing Somali civilians in Mogadishu. Italy, protesting the new U.N. military aggressiveness, asks to pull out of the Somali capital.  
1995 - Iari President Saddam Hussein's former right-hand man and son-in-law, Hussein Kamel al-Majid, who defected to Jordan, announces a campaign to topple him.  
1996 - Germany asks Italy to extradite former SS captain Erich Priebke, who was freed by a military court in Rome after a war crimes trial but swiftly re-arrested.  
1998 - Swiss banks agree to pay \$1.25 billion to Holocaust survivors as restitution for lost assets.

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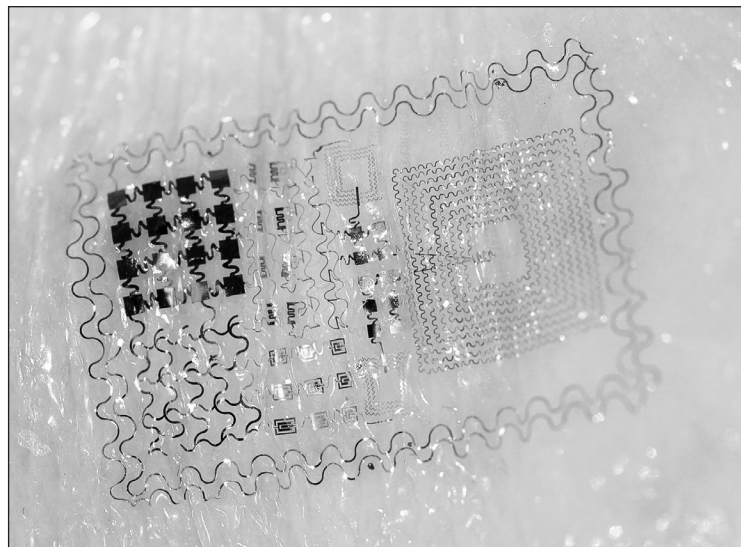
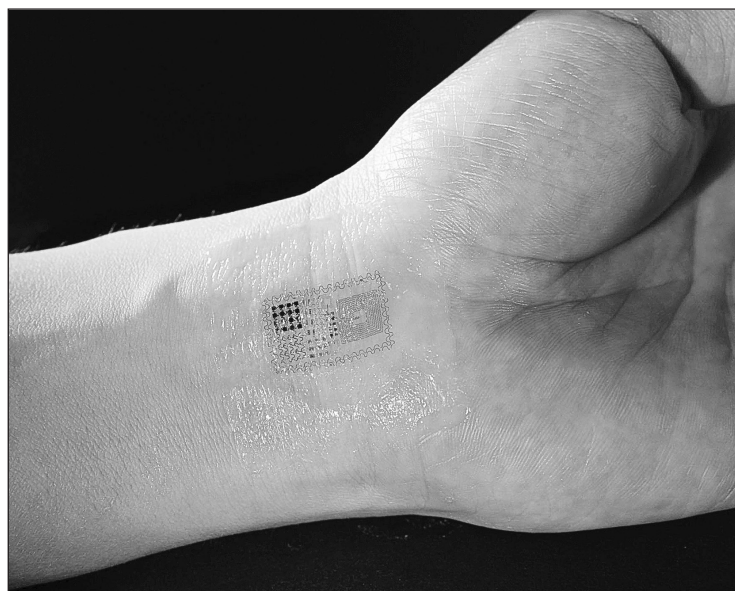
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# Stick-on patch proposed for patient monitoring

## AP Science Writer

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — One day monitoring a patient's vital signs like temperature

This undated handout photo provided by the journal Science shows a piece of electronics with physical properties, i.e. stiffness, bending rigidity, thickness and mass density, matched to the epidermis. Such 'epidermal' electronic systems seamlessly integrate and conform to the surface of the skin in a way that is mechanically invisible to the user. The devices have the potential to provide a range of healthcare and non-healthcare related functions. One day monitoring a patient's vital signs like temperature and heart rate could be as simple as sticking on a tiny, wireless patch, sort of like the temporary tattoos popular with the younger set. Associated Press

"What we are trying to do here is to really reshape and redefine electronics ... to look a lot more like the human body, in this case the surface layers of the skin," said John A. Rogers of the University of Illinois. "The goal is really to blur the distinction between electronics and biological tissue."

The researchers embedded electronic sensors in a film thinner than the diameter of a human hair, which was placed on a polyester backing like those used for the temporary tattoos popular with kids. The result was a sensor that was flexible enough to move with the skin and would adhere without adhesives.

The researchers said the devices had remained in place for up to 24 hours. Rogers said in an briefing that, while normal shedding of skin cells would eventually cause the monitors to come off, he thought they could remain in place as long as two weeks.

In addition to monitoring patients in hospitals, other uses for the devices could include monitoring brain waves, muscle movement, sensing the larynx

The device will help fill the need for equipment that is more convenient and less stressful for patients, permitting easier and more reliable monitoring, said Zhenqiang Ma, an engineering professor at the University of Wisconsin, who was not part of the research team. The electronic skin can simply be stuck on or peeled off like an adhesive bandage, he noted in a commentary on the report.

Rogers is a founder of the company MC10, which is working to develop commercial uses of the devices, but he declined to speculate on how soon the electronic skin would be ready for market or what it would cost. The monitor looks rather like a bandage and contains an antenna that could be used to transmit data, though a radio to do that transmitting has not yet been tested, Rogers said. The current design has a small coil and could be powered by induction — by placing it near an electrical coil — Rogers said. That would permit intermittent use, he said, and for longer-term monitoring a tiny battery or storage capacitor could be used.

The monitor doesn't use an adhesive, relying on a weak force called the van der Waals force that causes molecules and surfaces to stick together without interfering with motion. The ability of geckos to climb smooth surfaces has been attributed to the van der Waals force. □

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and heart rate could be as simple as sticking on a tiny, wireless patch, sort of like a temporary tattoo.

Eliminating the bulky wiring and electrodes used in current monitors would make the devices more comfortable for patients, says an international team of researchers who report their

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## Box Office Preview: 'Apes' to rise again



In this image released by Twentieth Century Fox, Caesar the chimp, a CG animal portrayed by Andy Serkis, and James Franco are shown in a scene from "Rise of the Planet of the Apes."



In this image released by Twentieth Century Fox, Freida Pinto, left, and James Franco are shown in a scene from "Rise of the Planet of the Apes."

**By PAUL DERGARABEDIAN**  
**For The Associated Press**  
**LOS ANGELES (AP)** — Fox's "Rise of the Planet of the Apes" has kept its grip on the No. 1 spot in the mid-week domestic box office race and should earn close to \$30 million during its second weekend on the loose. This will give the simian rebels a gross of more than \$100 million by Sunday night and make it one of the few certified hits of the late summer.

Closing in on the "Apes" in second place will be Disney's "The Help," which opened on Wednesday with \$5.5 million in early receipts and should end up the weekend in the \$23 million to \$25 million range, with lots of help from adoring fans. Based on the best-selling novel about racial equality in the 1960s' South, "The Help" boasts a terrific ensemble cast and excellent reviews that should guarantee long-term box

office success and much attention come awards season.

The debuting "Final Destination 5" from Warner Bros. once again gives audiences the vicarious thrill of watching other human beings dispatched in the most creative ways imaginable. This low-budget horror franchise has consistently killed it at the box office, with 2009's previous installment taking in \$27.4 million on its first weekend and this latest release expected to end up at No. 3 in the low \$20 millions.

Sony's newcomer "30 Minutes or Less" is the seventh R-rated comedy to be released this summer and stars "The Social Network's" Jesse Eisenberg as a pizza delivery guy who has a bomb strapped to his chest and is forced to rob a bank. The film should open with around \$13 million this weekend for a fourth-place finish. □

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# Betty Ford will grants \$500K to namesake rehab

**LOS ANGELES (AP)** — Betty Ford Center managers learned this week that the former first lady's final wishes call for the rehab center that bears her name to receive \$500,000 in dona-

tions. Betty Ford authorized a \$400,000 donation in her final will, which was signed three weeks before her July 8 death, the center said in a statement released late

## Miranda Cosgrove breaks ankle in tour bus accident

**VANDALIA, Illinois (AP)** — Actress and singer Miranda Cosgrove has broken her ankle in a tour bus accident in southern Illinois.

Gina Schulman, a spokeswoman for the star of Nickelodeon's "iCarly," says the accident happened early Thursday on Interstate 70 near Vandalia, northeast of St. Louis. Schulman says all five passengers on the bus "will be fine."

Schulman says Cosgrove's

"Dancing Crazy Summer Tour" is postponed until further notice.

She says, "Miranda thanks everyone for their understanding and support."

Cosgrove stars as Carly Shay, the daughter of a colonel serving overseas, on "iCarly." Her album is "High Maintenance." She also featured in "The School of Rock" and voiced the character Margo in "Despicable Me."



**FILE - In this April 11, 2011 file photo, Nickelodeon actress and singer Miranda Cosgrove arrives at ELLE magazine's second annual Women in Music event in Los Angeles. On Thursday, Aug. 11, 2011, Cosgrove broke her ankle when her tour bus was in an accident in southern Illinois on Interstate 70 outside Vandalia, about 70 miles outside St. Louis. The accident means that Cosgrove's "Dancing Crazy Summer Tour" will be postponed until further notice.**

(AP Photo/Chris Pizzello, File)



**FILE In this Saturday July 9, 2011 file photo showing a sign for the Betty Ford Center at the Eisenhower Medical Center in Rancho Mirage, Calif. Betty Ford's final will includes a \$500,000 donation to the namesake rehab facility she co-founded nearly 30 years ago. (AP Photo/Francis Specker, File)**

Wednesday. The facility, which is based in Rancho Mirage, Calif., about 120 miles east of Los Angeles, will also receive another \$100,000 from a foundation former President Gerald Ford and his wife founded a decade ago.

The center was co-founded by Betty Ford in 1982 and it has treated nearly 100,000 patients, including numerous Hollywood celebrities, for drug and alcohol dependency. Despite its high-profile clientele, the facility remains one of the most respected treatment centers in the United States.

The outspoken former first lady for years personally greeted patients at the center and remained a high-profile advocate for treatment solutions, especially for women.

She granted the Betty Ford Center last year rights to use her name forever, the facility said.

"Mrs. Ford was and always will be the heart and soul of this place of healing," Mary Pattiz, chairman of the Betty Ford Center Board of Directors. "It means so much to us that after all she had given over the past 30 years, the center was still front and center in her mind during her final days." □

## Aguilera to perform at Jackson tribute concert

**LOS ANGELES (AP)** — Christina Aguilera is lending her voice to a Michael Jackson tribute concert planned for October in Wales. Organizers of "Michael Forever — The Tribute Concert" announced Thursday that Aguilera would be joined by members of the Jackson family, Cee Lo Green, Leona Lewis and the band Alien Ant Farm, which is known for its cover of Jackson's song "Smooth



**FILE - In this March 5, 2009 file photo, US singer Michael Jackson is shown at a press conference in London. Promoters announced singers Christina Aguilera, Cee Lo Green and other acts will perform at a Jackson tribute concert planned for Oct. 8 in Wales.**

(AP Photo/Joel Ryan, file)



**FILE - In this June 29, 2011 file photo, musician Christina Aguilera poses for photographers after finale of "The Voice" in Burbank, Calif. Javier Colon was named the winner of the show during the finale. Promoters announced singers Christina Aguilera, Cee Lo Green and other acts will perform at a Michael Jackson tribute concert planned for Oct. 8 in Wales.**

(AP Photo/Matt Sayles, file)

Criminal."

The announcement came after more than two weeks of silence about performers for the Oct. 8 show at Millennium Stadium in Cardiff, Wales.

While the event is endorsed by the singer's mother and some of his siblings, brothers Randy and Jermaine Jackson have protested its timing. The concert is scheduled during the trial of a doctor charged in Jackson's death.

The singer's estate is also not affiliated with the concert. □



## Rachel's last fundraiser



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Perhaps every generation of geezers since Adam and Eve has whined about young people, and today is no different. Isn't it clear that in contrast to our glorious selves, kids these days are self-absorbed Facebook junkies just a pixel deep? No, actually that's wrong at every level. This has been a depressing time to watch today's "adults," whose talent for self-absorption and political paralysis makes it difficult to solve big problems. But many young people haven't yet learned to be cynical. They believe, in a wonderfully earnest way, in creating a better world.

In the midst of this grim summer, my faith in humanity has been restored by the saga of Rachel Beckwith. She could teach my generation a great deal about maturity and unselfishness — even though she's just 9 years old, or was when she died on July 23.

Rachel lived outside Seattle and early on showed a desire to give back. At age 5, she learned at school about an organization called Locks of Love, which uses hair donations to make wigs for children who have lost their own hair because of cancer or other diseases. Rachel then asked to have her long hair shorn off and sent to Locks of Love.

"She said she wanted to help the cancer kids," her mother, Samantha Paul, told me. After the haircut, Rachel announced that she would grow her hair long again and donate it again after a few years to Locks of Love. And that's what she did. Then when she was 8 years old, her church began raising money to build wells in Africa through an organization called charity:water. Rachel was aghast when she learned that other children had no clean water, so she asked to skip having a ninth birthday party. In lieu of presents, she asked her friends to donate \$9 each to charity:water for water projects in Africa.

Rachel's ninth birthday was on June 12, and she had set up a birthday page on the charity:water website with a target of \$300. Alas, Rachel was able to raise only \$220 — which had left her just a bit disappointed. Then, on July 20, as Rachel

was riding with her family on the highway, two trucks collided and created a 13-car pileup. Rachel's car was hit by one of the trucks, and although the rest of her family was unhurt, Rachel was left critically injured.

Church members and friends, seeking some way of showing support, began donating on Rachel's birthday page — charity:water.org/Rachel — and donations surged past her \$300 goal, and kept mounting. As family and friends gathered around Rachel's bedside, they were able to tell her — even not knowing whether she couldn't hear them — that she had exceeded the \$47,544 that the singer Justin Bieber had raised for charity:water on his 17th birthday.

"I think she secretly had a crush on him, but she would never admit it," her mom said. "I think she would have been ecstatic." When it was clear that Rachel would never regain consciousness, the family decided to remove life support. Her parents donated her hair a final time to Locks of Love, and her organs to other children. Word spread about Rachel's last fundraiser. Contributions poured in, often in \$9 increments, although one 5-year-old girl sent in the savings in her piggy bank of \$2.27. The total donations soon topped \$100,000, then \$300,000. Like others, I was moved and donated. As I write this, more than \$850,000 has been raised from all over the world, including donations from Africans awed by a little American girl who cared about their continent.

"What has been so inspiring about Rachel is that she has taught the adults," said Scott Harrison, the founder of charity:water. "Adults are humbled by the unselfishness of this little girl." Yet this is a story not just of one girl, but of a generation of young people working creatively to make this a better world. Harrison is emblematic of these young people. Now 35, he established charity:water when he was 30, and it has taken off partly because of his mastery at social media. (He's not as experienced in well-drilling, so the wells are actually dug by expert groups like International Rescue Committee.)

Youth activism has a long history, but this ethos of public service is on the ascendant today — and today's kids don't just protest against injustices, as my contemporaries did, but many are also remarkable problem-solvers. As for Paul, she's planning a trip on the anniversary of her daughter's death next year to see some of the wells being drilled in Africa in her daughter's name. "It'll be overwhelming to see Rachel's wells," she said, "to see what my 9-year-old daughter has done for people all over the world, to meet the people she has touched." Rachel Beckwith, RIP, and may our generation learn from yours. □



## The decade of lost children



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One of the greatest casualties of the great recession may well be a decade of lost children. According to "The State of America's Children 2011," a report issued last month by the Children's Defense Fund, the impact of the recession on children's well-being has been catastrophic. Here is just a handful of the find-

ings:

— The number of children living in poverty has increased by 4 million since 2000, and the number of children who fell into poverty between 2008 and 2009 was the largest single-year increase ever recorded.

— The number of homeless children in public schools increased 41 percent between the 2006-7 and 2008-9 school years.

— In 2009, an average of 15.6

million children received food stamps monthly, a 65 percent increase over 10 years.

— A majority of children in all racial groups and 79 percent or more of black and Hispanic children in public schools cannot read or do math at grade level in the fourth, eighth or 12th grades.

— The annual cost of center-based child care for a 4-year-old is more than the annual in-state tuition at a public four-year college in 33 states and the District of Columbia.

Grim data, indeed. And there is no sign that things will get better anytime soon.

As a report issued last week by the nonpartisan Center on Budget and Policy Priorities points out: "Of the 47 states with newly enacted budgets, 38 or more states are making deep, identifiable cuts in K-12 education, higher education, health care, or other key areas in their budgets for fiscal year 2012."

Even as states face rising numbers of children enrolled in public schools, students enrolled in universities, and seniors eligible for services, the vast majority of states (37 of 44 states for which data are available) plan to spend less on services in 2012 than they spent in 2008 — in some cases, much less.

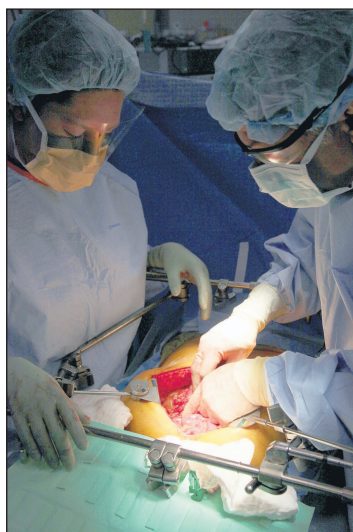
These cuts will slow the nation's economic recovery and undermine efforts to create jobs over the next year."

We risk the creation of an engorged generational underclass born of a culture that has less income equality and fewer prospects for mobility than the previous generation.

It's hard to see how we emerge from this downturn and its tumult a stronger nation if we allow vast swatches of our children to be lost. My fear is that we may not. □



# Hot chemotherapy bath: ailing see hope, critics hold doubts



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**SAN DIEGO** – This is cancer therapy at its most aggressive, a treatment patients liken to being filleted, disemboweled and then bathed in hot poison.

The therapy, which couples extensive abdominal surgery with blasts of heated chemotherapy to the abdominal cavity and its organs, was once a niche procedure used mainly against rare cancers of the appendix.

Most academic medical centers shunned it.

More recently, as competition for patients and treatments intensifies, an increasing number of the nation's leading medical centers have been offering the costly – and controversial – therapy to patients with the more common colorectal or ovarian cancers. And some hospitals are even publicizing the treatment as a hot “chemo bath.”

To critics, the therapy is merely the latest example of one that catches on with little evidence that it really works.

“We’re practicing this technique that has almost no basis in science,” said Dr. David P. Ryan, clinical di-

rector of the Massachusetts General Hospital Cancer Center.

But to some patients, the procedure, however grueling and invasive, represents their best hope for survival: “It’s throwing everything but the kitchen sink at cancer,” said Gloria Borges, a 29-year-old Los Angeles lawyer who had her colon cancer treated with what she called the “pick it out, pour it in” procedure.

For hours on a recent morning at the University of California, San Diego, Dr. Andrew Lowy painstakingly performed the therapy on a patient. After slicing the man’s belly wide open, he thrust his gloved hands deep inside, and examined various organs, looking for tumors. He then lifted the small intestine out of the body to sift it through his fingers.

As he found tumors, he snipped them out. “You can see how this is coming off like wallpaper,” Lowy said as he stripped out part of the lining of the man’s abdominal cavity.

After about two hours of poking and cutting, Lowy began the so-called shake and bake. The machine pumped heated chemotherapy directly into the

abdominal cavity for 90 minutes while nurses gently jiggled the man’s bloated belly to disperse the drug to every nook and cranny. The treatment is formally called cytoreductive surgery followed by hyperthermic intraperitoneal chemotherapy, or HIPEC.

Recent converts include University Hospitals Case Medical Center in Cleveland, Montefiore Medical Center in the Bronx, and even Massachusetts General. The Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center is looking at it, according to people in the field. Advocates predict that the number of procedures could grow to 10,000 a year from about 1,500 now.

The therapy has even been featured on an episode of the TV series “Grey’s Anatomy.”

But Ryan, a gastrointestinal oncologist, suggested in an interview that the procedure was being extended to colorectal cancer because “you can’t make a living doing this procedure in appendix cancer patients.”

He debated the procedure publicly at the recent annual meeting of the American Society of Clinical Oncology. While some patients did seem to live much longer than expected, he said that they had been carefully selected and might have fared well even without the therapy. Proponents say that if cancer has spread into the abdominal cavity but not elsewhere, then lives can be prolonged by removing all the visible tumor and killing what’s missed with HIPEC.

By contrast, said Dr. Paul

Sugarbaker, a surgeon at Washington Hospital Center and the leading proponent of HIPEC, “there are no long-term survivors with systemic chemotherapy – zero.”

Sugarbaker, who opposed Ryan in the debate, said that it has long been known that cancerous cells are unable to withstand as much heat as healthy cells. And putting the chemotherapy on top of tumors should be more effective than systematically delivering it through the bloodstream.

One randomized trial done more than a decade ago involving 105 patients in the Netherlands did show a striking benefit. The median survival of those getting surgery and HIPEC, plus intravenous chemotherapy, was 22.3 months, almost double the 12.6 months for those getting only the intravenous chemotherapy. But 8 percent who got the surgery and HIPEC died from the treatment itself. And critics say that since that trial was conducted, new drugs have come to market that allow patients with metastatic colorectal cancer to live two years with intravenous chemotherapy alone.

A new trial in U.S. has been

temporarily suspended so that researchers can find a way to recruit patients. After nearly a year only one patient had enrolled, because people were reluctant to chance winding up in the control group, according to one of the investigators.

While proponents contend that the risk of dying from the surgery has been reduced since the Dutch trial, the procedure still lasts eight hours or more and full recovery can take three to six months. “It’s maximally invasive,” said Sugarbaker, who often removes the “spare parts” – organs a patient can live without, like the spleen, the gall bladder, the omentum, the ovaries, the uterus and maybe part of the colon.

The cost of the surgery and HIPEC, including hospitalization, ranges from \$20,000 to more than \$100,000, doctors said. While Medicare and insurers generally pay for the operation, the heated treatment may not be covered. But doctors added it may be if it is described merely as chemotherapy. Some patients, like Borges, who is a fitness devotee, recover well and say the procedure staved off a death sentence. □